

Application for a §1915(c) Home and Community-Based Services Waiver

PURPOSE OF THE HCBS WAIVER PROGRAM

The Medicaid Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) waiver program is authorized in §1915(c) of the Social Security Act. The program permits a State to furnish an array of home and community-based services that assist Medicaid beneficiaries to live in the community and avoid institutionalization. The State has broad discretion to design its waiver program to address the needs of the waiver's target population. Waiver services complement and/or supplement the services that are available to participants through the Medicaid State plan and other federal, state and local public programs as well as the supports that families and communities provide.

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) recognizes that the design and operational features of a waiver program will vary depending on the specific needs of the target population, the resources available to the State, service delivery system structure, State goals and objectives, and other factors. A State has the latitude to design a waiver program that is cost-effective and employs a variety of service delivery approaches, including participant direction of services.

Request for an Amendment to a §1915(c) Home and Community-Based Services Waiver

1. Request Information

1. The **State of South Carolina** requests approval for an amendment to the following Medicaid home and community-based services waiver approved under authority of §1915(c) of the Social Security Act.
2. **Program Title:**
Head and Spinal Cord Injury (HASCI) Waiver
3. **Waiver Number: SC.0284**
Original Base Waiver Number: SC.0284.
4. **Amendment Number: SC.0284.R03.03**
5. **Proposed Effective Date: (mm/dd/yy)**
Approved Effective Date: 04/01/11
Approved Effective Date of Waiver being Amended: 07/01/08

2. Purpose(s) of Amendment

Purpose(s) of the Amendment. Describe the purpose(s) of the amendment:

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The State of South Carolina is seeking to amend the Head and Spinal Cord Injury (HASCI) Waiver for the following purposes: (1.) Respite Care will only be offered on an hourly basis when provided in the home or another private residence. Non-institutional respite care on a daily basis is being eliminated with the amendment effective date;(2.) Appendix G has been updated to reflect current policies;(3.) Appendix J has been updated accordingly; The Quality Improvement Sections have been updated, as well as, any other sections of the document to more accurately describe performance measures, data sources, definitions, references, provider qualifications, remediation activities, MOA, service contract information, and policies currently used for the provision of this waiver. The State has modified references such as "South Carolina Department of Disabilities and Special Needs" or "the operating agency" to "DDSN".

3. Nature of the Amendment

1. **Component(s) of the Approved Waiver Affected by the Amendment.** This amendment affects the following component(s) of the approved waiver. Revisions to the affected subsection(s) of these component(s) are being submitted concurrently (check each that applies):

| Component of the Approved Waiver | Subsection(s) |
|---|---------------|
| Waiver Application | |
| Appendix A – Waiver Administration and Operation | |
| Appendix B – Participant Access and Eligibility | |
| Appendix C – Participant Services | |
| Appendix D – Participant Centered Service Planning and Delivery | |
| Appendix E – Participant Direction of Services | |
| Appendix F – Participant Rights | |
| Appendix G – Participant Safeguards | |
| Appendix H | |
| Appendix I – Financial Accountability | |
| Appendix J – Cost-Neutrality Demonstration | |

2. **Nature of the Amendment.** Indicate the nature of the changes to the waiver that are proposed in the amendment (check each that applies):
- Modify target group(s)**
 - Modify Medicaid eligibility**
 - Add/delete services**
 - Revise service specifications**
 - Revise provider qualifications**
 - Increase/decrease number of participants**
 - Revise cost neutrality demonstration**
 - Add participant-direction of services**
 - Other**
- Specify:
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Updated Quality Improvement sections used in the provision of this waiver.

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1. Request Information (1 of 3)

- The **State of South Carolina** requests approval for a Medicaid home and community-based services (HCBS) waiver under the authority of §1915(c) of the Social Security Act (the Act).
- Program Title** (*optional - this title will be used to locate this waiver in the finder*):
Head and Spinal Cord Injury (HASCI) Waiver
- Type of Request: amendment**
Requested Approval Period: (For new waivers requesting five year approval periods, the waiver must serve individuals who are dually eligible for Medicaid and Medicare.)
3 years 5 years

Original Base Waiver Number: SC.0284
Waiver Number: SC.0284.R03.03
Draft ID: SC.09.03.04
- Type of Waiver** (select only one):
Model Waiver Regular Waiver
- Proposed Effective Date of Waiver being Amended: 07/01/08**
Approved Effective Date of Waiver being Amended: 07/01/08

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6. **Level(s) of Care.** This waiver is requested in order to provide home and community-based waiver services to individuals who, but for the provision of such services, would require the following level(s) of care, the costs of which would be reimbursed under the approved Medicaid State plan (*check each that applies*):

Hospital

Select applicable level of care

Hospital as defined in 42 CFR §440.10

If applicable, specify whether the State additionally limits the waiver to subcategories of the hospital level of care:

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Inpatient psychiatric facility for individuals age 21 and under as provided in 42 CFR §440.160

not selected

Nursing Facility

Select applicable level of care

Nursing Facility As defined in 42 CFR §440.40 and 42 CFR §440.155

If applicable, specify whether the State additionally limits the waiver to subcategories of the nursing facility level of care:

Character Count: out of 6000

Institution for Mental Disease for persons with mental illnesses aged 65 and older as provided in 42 CFR §440.140

not selected

Intermediate Care Facility for the Mentally Retarded (ICF/MR) (as defined in 42 CFR §440.150)

If applicable, specify whether the State additionally limits the waiver to subcategories of the ICF/MR level of care:

Character Count: out of 6000

1. Request Information (3 of 3)

7. **Concurrent Operation with Other Programs.** This waiver operates concurrently with another program (or programs) approved under the following authorities

Select one:

Not applicable

Applicable

Check the applicable authority or authorities:

Services furnished under the provisions of §1915(a)(1)(a) of the Act and described in Appendix I

Waiver(s) authorized under §1915(b) of the Act.

Specify the §1915(b) waiver program and indicate whether a §1915(b) waiver application has been submitted or previously approved:

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Specify the §1915(b) authorities under which this program operates (check each that applies):

§1915(b)(1) (mandated enrollment to managed care)

§1915(b)(2) (central broker)

§1915(b)(3) (employ cost savings to furnish additional services)

§1915(b)(4) (selective contracting/limit number of providers)

A program operated under §1932(a) of the Act.

Specify the nature of the State Plan benefit and indicate whether the State Plan Amendment has been submitted or previously approved:

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A program authorized under §1915(i) of the Act.

A program authorized under §1915(j) of the Act.

A program authorized under §1115 of the Act.

Specify the program:

Character Count: out of 6000

Not applicable

not selected

8. **Dual Eligibility for Medicaid and Medicare.**

Check if applicable:

This waiver provides services for individuals who are eligible for both Medicare and Medicaid.

2. Brief Waiver Description

Brief Waiver Description. In one page or less, briefly describe the purpose of the waiver, including its goals, objectives,

organizational structure (e.g., the roles of state, local and other entities), and service delivery methods.

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South Carolina is seeking to renew the South Carolina Head and Spinal Cord Injury Waiver. This Waiver will serve persons with traumatic brain injury, spinal cord injury or both or a similar disability not associated with the process of a progressive degenerative illness, disease, dementia or a neurological disorder related to the aging. All persons must meet either the Nursing Facility level of care or the ICF-MR level of care criteria. Administrative authority for this Waiver is retained by the South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS). The South Carolina Department of Disabilities and Special Needs (DDSN) perform Waiver operations under a memorandum of agreement and service contract with DHHS. DDSN has the operational responsibility for ensuring that participants are aware of their options under this Waiver. DDSN utilizes an organized health care delivery system that includes both county Disability and Special Need Boards and private providers as Waiver service providers. Services in this Waiver are provided at the local level mainly through a traditional service delivery system. This Waiver does have a participant-directed service that allows individuals or responsible party to direct their own attendant care services if they chose this option. The services offered in this Waiver are meant to prevent and/or delay institutionalization in a nursing home or ICF/MR. This Waiver reflects the State's commitment to offer viable community options to institutional placement.

3. Components of the Waiver Request

The waiver application consists of the following components. *Note: Item 3-E must be completed.*

1. **Waiver Administration and Operation. Appendix A** specifies the administrative and operational structure of this waiver.
2. **Participant Access and Eligibility. Appendix B** specifies the target group(s) of individuals who are served in this waiver, the number of participants that the State expects to serve during each year that the waiver is in effect, applicable Medicaid eligibility and post-eligibility (if applicable) requirements, and procedures for the evaluation and reevaluation of level of care.
3. **Participant Services. Appendix C** specifies the home and community-based waiver services that are furnished through the waiver, including applicable limitations on such services.
4. **Participant-Centered Service Planning and Delivery. Appendix D** specifies the procedures and methods that the State uses to develop, implement and monitor the participant-centered service plan (of care).
5. **Participant-Direction of Services.** When the State provides for participant direction of services, Appendix E specifies the participant direction opportunities that are offered in the waiver and the supports that are available to participants who direct their services. (*Select one*):

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|---|
| Yes. This waiver provides participant direction opportunities. Appendix E is required. |
| No. This waiver does not provide participant direction opportunities. Appendix E is not required. |
| not selected |
6. **Participant Rights. Appendix F** specifies how the State informs participants of their Medicaid Fair Hearing rights and other procedures to address participant grievances and complaints.
7. **Participant Safeguards. Appendix G** describes the safeguards that the State has established to assure the health and welfare of waiver participants in specified areas.
8. **Quality Improvement Strategy. Appendix H** contains the Quality Improvement Strategy for this waiver.
9. **Financial Accountability. Appendix I** describes the methods by which the State makes payments for waiver services, ensures the integrity of these payments, and complies with applicable federal requirements concerning payments and federal financial participation.
10. **Cost-Neutrality Demonstration. Appendix J** contains the State's demonstration that the waiver is cost-neutral.

4. Waiver(s) Requested

1. **Comparability.** The State requests a waiver of the requirements contained in §1902(a)(10)(B) of the Act in order to

provide the services specified in Appendix C that are not otherwise available under the approved Medicaid State plan to individuals who: (a) require the level(s) of care specified in Item 1.F and (b) meet the target group criteria specified in Appendix B.

2. Income and Resources for the Medically Needy. Indicate whether the State requests a waiver of §1902(a)(10)(C)(i)(III) of the Act in order to use institutional income and resource rules for the medically needy (*select one*):

Not Applicable

No

Yes

not selected

3. Statewide. Indicate whether the State requests a waiver of the statewide requirements in §1902(a)(1) of the Act (*select one*):

No

Yes

If yes, specify the waiver of statewide that is requested (*check each that applies*):

Geographic Limitation. A waiver of statewide is requested in order to furnish services under this waiver only to individuals who reside in the following geographic areas or political subdivisions of the State.

Specify the areas to which this waiver applies and, as applicable, the phase-in schedule of the waiver by geographic area:

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Limited Implementation of Participant-Direction. A waiver of statewide is requested in order to make participant-direction of services as specified in **Appendix E** available only to individuals who reside in the following geographic areas or political subdivisions of the State. Participants who reside in these areas may elect to direct their services as provided by the State or receive comparable services through the service delivery methods that are in effect elsewhere in the State.

Specify the areas of the State affected by this waiver and, as applicable, the phase-in schedule of the waiver by geographic area:

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5. Assurances

In accordance with 42 CFR §441.302, the State provides the following assurances to CMS:

1. **Health & Welfare:** The State assures that necessary safeguards have been taken to protect the health and welfare of persons receiving services under this waiver. These safeguards include:
 1. As specified in **Appendix C**, adequate standards for all types of providers that provide services under this waiver;
 2. Assurance that the standards of any State licensure or certification requirements specified in **Appendix C** are met for services or for individuals furnishing services that are provided under the waiver. The State assures that these requirements are met on the date that the services are furnished; and,
 3. Assurance that all facilities subject to §1616(e) of the Act where home and community-based waiver services are provided comply with the applicable State standards for board and care facilities as specified in **Appendix C**.
2. **Financial Accountability.** The State assures financial accountability for funds expended for home and community-based services and maintains and makes available to the Department of Health and Human Services (including the Office of the Inspector General), the Comptroller General, or other designees, appropriate financial records documenting the cost of services provided under the waiver. Methods of financial accountability are specified in **Appendix I**.
3. **Evaluation of Need:** The State assures that it provides for an initial evaluation (and periodic reevaluations, at least annually) of the need for a level of care specified for this waiver, when there is a reasonable indication that an individual might need such services in the near future (one month or less) but for the receipt of home and community based services under this waiver. The procedures for evaluation and reevaluation of level of care are specified in **Appendix B**.
4. **Choice of Alternatives:** The State assures that when an individual is determined to be likely to require the level of care specified for this waiver and is in a target group specified in **Appendix B**, the individual (or, legal representative, if applicable) is:

1. Informed of any feasible alternatives under the waiver; and,
2. Given the choice of either institutional or home and community based waiver services. **Appendix B** specifies the procedures that the State employs to ensure that individuals are informed of feasible alternatives under the waiver and given the choice of institutional or home and community-based waiver services.
5. **Average Per Capita Expenditures:** The State assures that, for any year that the waiver is in effect, the average per capita expenditures under the waiver will not exceed 100 percent of the average per capita expenditures that would have been made under the Medicaid State plan for the level(s) of care specified for this waiver had the waiver not been granted. Cost-neutrality is demonstrated in **Appendix J**.
6. **Actual Total Expenditures:** The State assures that the actual total expenditures for home and community-based waiver and other Medicaid services and its claim for FFP in expenditures for the services provided to individuals under the waiver will not, in any year of the waiver period, exceed 100 percent of the amount that would be incurred in the absence of the waiver by the State's Medicaid program for these individuals in the institutional setting(s) specified for this waiver.
7. **Institutionalization Absent Waiver:** The State assures that, absent the waiver, individuals served in the waiver would receive the appropriate type of Medicaid-funded institutional care for the level of care specified for this waiver.
8. **Reporting:** The State assures that annually it will provide CMS with information concerning the impact of the waiver on the type, amount and cost of services provided under the Medicaid State plan and on the health and welfare of waiver participants. This information will be consistent with a data collection plan designed by CMS.
9. **Habilitation Services.** The State assures that prevocational, educational, or supported employment services, or a combination of these services, if provided as habilitation services under the waiver are: (1) not otherwise available to the individual through a local educational agency under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) or the Rehabilitation Act of 1973; and, (2) furnished as part of expanded habilitation services.
10. **Services for Individuals with Chronic Mental Illness.** The State assures that federal financial participation (FFP) will not be claimed in expenditures for waiver services including, but not limited to, day treatment or partial hospitalization, psychosocial rehabilitation services, and clinic services provided as home and community-based services to individuals with chronic mental illnesses if these individuals, in the absence of a waiver, would be placed in an IMD and are: (1) age 22 to 64; (2) age 65 and older and the State has not included the optional Medicaid benefit cited in 42 CFR §440.140; or (3) age 21 and under and the State has not included the optional Medicaid benefit cited in 42 CFR § 440.160.

6. Additional Requirements

Note: Item 6-I must be completed.

- A. **Service Plan.** In accordance with 42 CFR §441.301(b)(1)(i), a participant-centered service plan (of care) is developed for each participant employing the procedures specified in **Appendix D**. All waiver services are furnished pursuant to the service plan. The service plan describes: (a) the waiver services that are furnished to the participant, their projected frequency and the type of provider that furnishes each service and (b) the other services (regardless of funding source, including State plan services) and informal supports that complement waiver services in meeting the needs of the participant. The service plan is subject to the approval of the Medicaid agency. Federal financial participation (FFP) is not claimed for waiver services furnished prior to the development of the service plan or for services that are not included in the service plan.
- B. **Inpatients.** In accordance with 42 CFR §441.301(b)(1) (ii), waiver services are not furnished to individuals who are in-patients of a hospital, nursing facility or ICF/MR.
- C. **Room and Board.** In accordance with 42 CFR §441.310(a)(2), FFP is not claimed for the cost of room and board except when: (a) provided as part of respite services in a facility approved by the State that is not a private residence or (b) claimed as a portion of the rent and food that may be reasonably attributed to an unrelated caregiver who resides in the same household as the participant, as provided in **Appendix I**.
- D. **Access to Services.** The State does not limit or restrict participant access to waiver services except as provided in **Appendix C**.

- E. **Free Choice of Provider.** In accordance with 42 CFR §431.151, a participant may select any willing and qualified provider to furnish waiver services included in the service plan unless the State has received approval to limit the number of providers under the provisions of §1915(b) or another provision of the Act.
- F. **FFP Limitation.** In accordance with 42 CFR §433 Subpart D, FFP is not claimed for services when another third-party (e.g., another third party health insurer or other federal or state program) is legally liable and responsible for the provision and payment of the service. FFP also may not be claimed for services that are available without charge, or as free care to the community. Services will not be considered to be without charge, or free care, when (1) the provider establishes a fee schedule for each service available and (2) collects insurance information from all those served (Medicaid, and non-Medicaid), and bills other legally liable third party insurers. Alternatively, if a provider certifies that a particular legally liable third party insurer does not pay for the service(s), the provider may not generate further bills for that insurer for that annual period.
- G. **Fair Hearing:** The State provides the opportunity to request a Fair Hearing under 42 CFR §431 Subpart E, to individuals: (a) who are not given the choice of home and community- based waiver services as an alternative to institutional level of care specified for this waiver; (b) who are denied the service(s) of their choice or the provider(s) of their choice; or (c) whose services are denied, suspended, reduced or terminated. **Appendix F** specifies the State's procedures to provide individuals the opportunity to request a Fair Hearing, including providing notice of action as required in 42 CFR §431.210.
- H. **Quality Improvement.** The State operates a formal, comprehensive system to ensure that the waiver meets the assurances and other requirements contained in this application. Through an ongoing process of discovery, remediation and improvement, the State assures the health and welfare of participants by monitoring: (a) level of care determinations; (b) individual plans and services delivery; (c) provider qualifications; (d) participant health and welfare; (e) financial oversight and (f) administrative oversight of the waiver. The State further assures that all problems identified through its discovery processes are addressed in an appropriate and timely manner, consistent with the severity and nature of the problem. During the period that the waiver is in effect, the State will implement the Quality Improvement Strategy specified in **Appendix H**.
- I. **Public Input.** Describe how the State secures public input into the development of the waiver:
Character Count: out of 6000
The intent for the quality amendments were presented at a public meeting for the CS waiver on July 8, 2010, and at the DHHS Medical Care Advisory Committee (MCAC) on August 17, 2010. DDSN presented the waiver amendments to their Commission at the August 12, 2010 meeting. In addition, DDSN held a special called meeting on September 2, 2010, to review the amendments. The amendments were approved as presented.
- J. **Notice to Tribal Governments.** The State assures that it has notified in writing all federally-recognized Tribal Governments that maintain a primary office and/or majority population within the State of the State's intent to submit a Medicaid waiver request or renewal request to CMS at least 60 days before the anticipated submission date is provided by Presidential Executive Order 13175 of November 6, 2000. Evidence of the applicable notice is available through the Medicaid Agency.
- K. **Limited English Proficient Persons.** The State assures that it provides meaningful access to waiver services by Limited English Proficient persons in accordance with: (a) Presidential Executive Order 13166 of August 11, 2000 (65 FR 50121) and (b) Department of Health and Human Services "Guidance to Federal Financial Assistance Recipients Regarding Title VI Prohibition Against National Origin Discrimination Affecting Limited English Proficient Persons" (68 FR 47311 - August 8, 2003). **Appendix B** describes how the State assures meaningful access to waiver services by Limited English Proficient persons.

7. Contact Person(s)

1. The Medicaid agency representative with whom CMS should communicate regarding the waiver is:

Last Name:

First Name:

Title:

Agency:

Address:

Address 2:

City:

State: South Carolina

Zip:

Phone: Ext: TTY

Fax:

E-mail:

2. If applicable, the State operating agency representative with whom CMS should communicate regarding the waiver is:

Last Name:

First Name:

Title:

Agency:

Address:

Address 2:

City:

State: South Carolina

Zip:

Phone: Ext: TTY

Fax:

E-mail:

8. Authorizing Signature

This document, together with Appendices A through J, constitutes the State's request for a waiver under §1915(c) of the Social Security Act. The State assures that all materials referenced in this waiver application (including standards, licensure and certification requirements) are *readily* available in print or electronic form upon request to CMS through the Medicaid agency or, if applicable, from the operating agency specified in Appendix A. Any proposed changes to the waiver will be submitted by the Medicaid agency to CMS in the form of waiver amendments.

Upon approval by CMS, the waiver application serves as the State's authority to provide home and community-based waiver

services to the specified target groups. The State attests that it will abide by all provisions of the approved waiver and will continuously operate the waiver in accordance with the assurances specified in Section 5 and the additional requirements specified in Section 6 of the request.

Signature:

State Medicaid Director or Designee

Submission Date:

Last Name:

First Name:

Title:

Agency:

Address:

Address 2:

City:

State: South Carolina

Zip:

Phone:

Fax:

E-mail:

Attachment #1: Transition Plan

Specify the transition plan for the waiver:

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Incontinence Supply Transition Plan: Through the State's Invitation For Bid (IFB) process, SCDHHS will select the lowest responsible and responsive vendor to provide incontinence supplies for home and community-based waivers, including the HASCI waiver. Prior to the IFB, waiver participants could receive authorized incontinence products from durable medical equipment providers enrolled with SCDHHS. Mandated product consistencies were price and count per case. Quality varied between products and there were no requirements regarding provider shipping dates. The IFB seeks to implement standards of quality and service delivery, as well as achieve cost savings for the State. Within two (2) weeks of the bid award, the Contractor must send samples of each brand of incontinence product allowed under the HASCI waiver to Service Coordinators/Early Interventionists (SC/EI). SC/EI staff will use these samples to assist waiver participants in making informed choices about the product selection. Incontinence supplies will be available to waiver participants who have been assessed by SCDDSN to have this need and whose service plans reflect it. Within a month of the contract award, the Contractor shall begin accepting revised service authorizations and delivering incontinence products to waiver participants. Deliveries will be staggered over the second and third months of the contract. By the end of the third month the Contractor shall be delivering incontinence supplies to all authorized waiver participants. Deliveries of incontinence supplies will be made at least monthly, bi-monthly or at some other authorized frequency arrangement, but not more often than monthly. All products will be first quality and latex-free. Waiver participants must have a choice of at least three (3) different brands of each type of incontinence supply available in the waiver. If the waiver participant is not satisfied, a solution will be offered by the Contractor including, if needed, products not currently available under the contract.

The Contractor will maintain a complaint log and grievance process. Complaints must be documented within two (2) business days of receipt. If the complaint cannot be resolved, the Contractor will notify SCDDSN, and the SC/EI will provide the "SCDDSN Reconsideration/SCDHHS Medicaid Appeal Rights Process", according to policy. SCDHHS will conduct provider performance reviews to ensure the Contractor is meeting established quality standards such as: timely acceptance of service authorizations, timely shipping of products, timely complaint resolution and appropriate substitution of products as needed. Contractor performance reviews will be conducted by the State.

Additional Needed Information (Optional)

Provide additional needed information for the waiver (optional):

Character Count: out of 60000

Appendix A: Waiver Administration and Operation

1. **State Line of Authority for Waiver Operation.** Specify the state line of authority for the operation of the waiver (*select one*):

The waiver is operated by the State Medicaid agency.

Specify the Medicaid agency division/unit that has line authority for the operation of the waiver program (*select one*):

The Medical Assistance Unit.

Specify the unit name: (Do not complete item A-2)

Another division/unit within the State Medicaid agency that is separate from the Medical Assistance Unit.

Specify the division/unit name. This includes administrations/divisions under the umbrella agency that has been identified as the Single State Medicaid Agency. (Complete item A-2-a).

not selected

The waiver is operated by a separate agency of the State that is not a division/unit of the Medicaid agency.

Specify the division/unit name: The Department of Disabilities and Special Needs

In accordance with 42 CFR §431.10, the Medicaid agency exercises administrative discretion in the administration and supervision of the waiver and issues policies, rules and regulations related to the waiver. The interagency agreement or memorandum of understanding that sets forth the authority and arrangements for this policy is available through the Medicaid agency to CMS upon request. (*Complete item A-2-b*).

not selected

Appendix A: Waiver Administration and Operation

2. Oversight of Performance.

1. Medicaid Director Oversight of Performance When the Waiver is Operated by another Division/Unit within the State Medicaid Agency. When the waiver is operated by another division/administration within the umbrella agency designated as the Single State Medicaid Agency. Specify (a) the functions performed by that division/administration (i.e., the Developmental Disabilities Administration within the Single State Medicaid Agency), (b) the document utilized to outline the roles and responsibilities related to waiver operation, and (c) the methods that are employed by the designated State Medicaid Director (in some instances, the head of umbrella agency) in the oversight of these activities:

As indicated in section 1 of this appendix, the waiver is not operated by another division/unit within the State Medicaid agency. Thus this section does not need to be completed.

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2. Medicaid Agency Oversight of Operating Agency Performance. When the waiver is not operated by the Medicaid agency, specify the functions that are expressly delegated through a memorandum of understanding (MOU) or other written document, and indicate the frequency of review and update for that document. Specify the methods that the Medicaid agency uses to ensure that the operating agency performs its assigned waiver operational and administrative functions in accordance with waiver requirements. Also specify the frequency of Medicaid agency assessment of operating agency performance:

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DHHS and DDSN have a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) to ensure an understanding between agencies regarding the operation and administration of the waiver. The MOA delineates the waiver will be operated by DDSN under the oversight of DHHS. DHHS is the final authority and makes all final decisions regarding all matters related to the administration of the waiver. The MOA specifies the following delegated waiver functions between both agencies: - Communication - Coordination - Level of Care - Quality Management - Medicaid Management Information System - Fiscal Administration The MOA is reviewed and updated at least every five (5) years and amended as needed. DHHS and DDSN also have a service contract outlining the requirements and responsibilities for the provision of waiver services by the operating agency. This contract clarifies the following: - Waiver service definitions - Provider qualifications - Waiver service reimbursement rates - Conditions for reimbursement - Audits and Records - Termination of Contract The service contract is reviewed and updated every three to five years and amended as needed. DHHS utilizes various quality assurance methods to evaluate the operating agency's compliance with the terms and conditions established in the MOA and service contract, with special focus on DDSN's performance of assigned waiver operational functions in accordance with waiver requirements. DHHS uses a Quality Improvement Organization (QIO), quality assurance staff, and other agency staff to continuously evaluate the operating agency's quality management processes to ensure compliance. The following describes the roles of each entity: CMS Approved QIO: Conducts validation reviews of a representative sample of initial level of care determinations performed by DDSN. Reports are produced and shared with DDSN, who is responsible for remedial actions as necessary in a timely manner. DHHS QA Staff: Conducts periodic quality assurance reviews. These reviews focus on the CMS quality assurance indicators and performance measures. A report of findings is provided to DDSN, who is required to develop and implement a remediation plan, if applicable in a timely manner. DHHS QA staff: Utilizes other systems such as Medicaid Management Information Systems (MMIS) and MedStat Advantage to monitor quality and compliance with waiver standards. The use and results of these discovery methods may require special focus reviews. In such instances, a report of findings is provided to DDSN for remediation purposes. Other DHHS Staff: Conducts utilization reviews, investigate potential fraud, and other requested focused reviews of DDSN as warranted. A report of findings is produced and provided to DDSN for remedial action(s) as necessary.

Appendix A: Waiver Administration and Operation

3. Use of Contracted Entities. Specify whether contracted entities perform waiver operational and administrative functions on behalf of the Medicaid agency and/or the operating agency (if applicable) (*select one*):

Yes. Contracted entities perform waiver operational and administrative functions on behalf of the Medicaid agency and/or operating agency (if applicable).

Specify the types of contracted entities and briefly describe the functions that they perform. Complete Items A-5 and A-6.:

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1. DDSN contracts with the USC School of Medicine: The School of Medicine currently performs quality assurance of the operational function of the University Affiliated Program (UAP) Attendant Care Program as an option of self-directed or designated responsible party-directed attendant care services.
2. DDSN contracts with the USC School of Medicine, Center for Disability Resources: This contract provides for the single point of preliminary intake and eligibility screening for all individuals seeking services through the Head and Spinal Cord Injury Division.
3. DDSN contracts with a CMS certified QIO contractor. This contract is for oversight and review of all waiver services and providers participating in either the HASCI or MR/RD Waiver.
4. DDSN contracts with the Jasper DSN Board which is responsible for verifying the qualifications of and payment for all In-Home Support service providers.
5. DHHS contracts with a CMS certified QIO contractor. This entity reviews a representative sample of initial ICF/MR levels of care determinations performed by DDSN. This entity provides monthly reports and quarterly summaries of the outcome of their review process.
6. DHHS may periodically contract with an independent quality management entity to perform focused evaluations.

No. Contracted entities do not perform waiver operational and administrative functions on behalf of the Medicaid agency and/or the operating agency (if applicable).

not selected

Appendix A: Waiver Administration and Operation

4. **Role of Local/Regional Non-State Entities.** Indicate whether local or regional non-state entities perform waiver operational and administrative functions and, if so, specify the type of entity (*Select One*):

not selected

Not applicable

Applicable - Local/regional non-state agencies perform waiver operational and administrative functions.

Check each that applies:

Local/Regional non-state public agencies perform waiver operational and administrative functions at the local or regional level. There is an **interagency agreement or memorandum of understanding** between the State and these agencies that sets forth responsibilities and performance requirements for these agencies that is available through the Medicaid agency.

Specify the nature of these agencies and complete items A-5 and A-6:

Character Count: out of 6000

DDSN contracts with its local Disabilities and Special Needs (DSN) Board providers. Service coordination and early intervention staff at the local Disabilities and Special Needs Board prepares the Plans of Service and complete reevaluations of NF and ICF/MR levels of care. DDSN contracts with the Jasper Disabilities and Special Needs (DSN) Board which operates as the fiscal agent of the UAP Attendant Care Program.

Local/Regional non-governmental non-state entities conduct waiver operational and administrative functions at the local or regional level. There is a contract between the Medicaid agency and/or the operating agency (when authorized by the Medicaid agency) and each local/regional non-state entity that sets forth the responsibilities and performance requirements of the local/regional entity. The **contract(s)** under which private entities conduct waiver operational functions are available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

Specify the nature of these entities and complete items A-5 and A-6:

Character Count: out of 6000

DDSN contracts with approved/qualified private providers for service coordination/early intervention staff members, who prepare the Plans of Service and complete reevaluations for NF and ICF/MR levels of care.

Not applicable - Local/regional non-state agencies do not perform waiver operational and administrative functions.

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5. **Responsibility for Assessment of Performance of Contracted and/or Local/Regional Non-State Entities.** Specify the state agency or agencies responsible for assessing the performance of contracted and/or local/regional non-state entities in conducting waiver operational and administrative functions:

Character Count: out of 6000

DDSN will assess the performance of its contracted local/regional non-state entities responsible for conducting waiver operational functions. The Jasper DSN Board will operate as the fiscal agent for participant directed services. DDSN will contract with DSN Boards and other qualified/approved providers and assess these providers on a 12-18 month cycle. DHHS Quality Assurance (QA) staff will conduct reviews of the waiver operational functions performed by DDSN and any of its contracted local/regional non-state entities, in addition to assessing the performance of contracted entities in conducting waiver administrative functions. Additionally, upon request, DHHS Medicaid Program Integrity (MPI) Unit conducts reviews

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6. **Assessment Methods and Frequency.** Describe the methods that are used to assess the performance of contracted and/or local/regional non-state entities to ensure that they perform assigned waiver operational and administrative functions in accordance with waiver requirements. Also specify how frequently the performance of contracted and/or local/regional non-state entities is assessed:

Character Count: out of 6000

The DHHS/DDSN MOA sets forth both the operational agency responsibility for QA and the administering agency

oversight of the QA process. DDSN will assess the performance of its contracted and local/regional non-state entities responsible for conducting waiver operational functions. DDSN will contract with a provider of QA and quality performance to assess the local DSN Boards and other qualified providers on a twelve to eighteen month cycle depending on the provider's past performance. DDSN Central Office will conduct reviews and provide technical assistance to the local DSN Boards, and provide DHHS reports of such reviews and technical assistance in a timely manner. Additionally, DDSN Internal Audit Division will conduct internal audit reviews of the local network of DSN Boards and other approved providers. The local DSN Boards are required to have a financial audit conducted annually by a CPA firm that is chosen by the Boards, and all results related to waiver participants will be shared with DHHS in a timely manner. DDSN Internal Audit Division will also conduct special request audits, investigate fraud cases, provide training and technical assistance, and review the audited financial statements of the local DSN Boards. All findings will be shared with DHHS in a timely manner. DDSN Internal Audit Division will conduct a review of the contracted fiscal agent, and likewise, all findings related to waiver participants will be shared with DHHS in a timely manner. DDSN's QIO will also assess the local DSN Boards and other qualified/approved providers through DDSN on a twelve to eighteen month cycle depending on the provider's past performance. The QIO will also conduct follow-up reviews of the local DSN Boards and other approved providers. A comprehensive Report of Findings will be issued by the QIO to the local DSN Board provider and to DDSN. DDSN will share the Report of Findings with DHHS in a timely manner. DHHS will utilize: 1) a Quality Improvement Organization (QIO) to conduct QA reviews of a representative sample of initial Level of Care Determinations performed by DDSN; 2) QA staff to conduct periodic quality assurance focus reviews on the CMS quality assurance indicators and performance measures. If applicable, DDSN is required to develop and implement a remediation plan in a timely manner upon the receipt of a report of findings provided by DHHS; 3) Other DHHS Staff to conduct utilization reviews of DDSN as warranted. DDSN is to take remedial actions as necessary in a timely manner upon receipt of a report of findings from DHHS. DHHS will review DDSN Internal Audit Division annual reports, special request audits, and fraudulent case investigations and request remedial action(s) as determined necessary. DHHS Quality Assurance (QA) staff will conduct reviews of the waiver operational functions performed by DDSN and any of its contracted local/regional non-state entities, in addition to assessing the performance of contracted entities in conducting waiver administrative functions. Additionally, upon request, DHHS Medicaid Program Integrity (MPI) Unit conducts reviews.

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7. Distribution of Waiver Operational and Administrative Functions. In the following table, specify the entity or entities that have responsibility for conducting each of the waiver operational and administrative functions listed (*check each that applies*):

In accordance with 42 CFR §431.10, when the Medicaid agency does not directly conduct a function, it supervises the performance of the function and establishes and/or approves policies that affect the function. All functions not performed directly by the Medicaid agency must be delegated in writing and monitored by the Medicaid Agency. Note: More than one box may be checked per item. Ensure that Medicaid is checked when the Single State Medicaid Agency (1) conducts the function directly; (2) supervises the delegated function; and/or (3) establishes and/or approves policies related to the function.

| Function | Medicaid Agency | Other State Operating Agency | Contracted Entity | Local Non-State Entity |
|---|-----------------|------------------------------|-------------------|------------------------|
| Participant waiver enrollment | | | | |
| Waiver enrollment managed against approved limits | | | | |
| Waiver expenditures managed against approved levels | | | | |
| Level of care evaluation | | | | |
| Review of Participant service plans | | | | |
| Prior authorization of waiver services | | | | |

| Function | Medicaid Agency | Other State Operating Agency | Contracted Entity | Local Non-State Entity |
|--|-----------------|------------------------------|-------------------|------------------------|
| Utilization management | | | | |
| Qualified provider enrollment | | | | |
| Execution of Medicaid provider agreements | | | | |
| Establishment of a statewide rate methodology | | | | |
| Rules, policies, procedures and information development governing the waiver program | | | | |
| Quality assurance and quality improvement activities | | | | |

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Quality Improvement: Administrative Authority of the Single State Medicaid Agency

As a distinct component of the State's quality improvement strategy, provide information in the following fields to detail the State's methods for discovery and remediation.

1. Methods for Discovery: Administrative Authority

The Medicaid Agency retains ultimate administrative authority and responsibility for the operation of the waiver program by exercising oversight of the performance of waiver functions by other state and local/regional non-state agencies (if appropriate) and contracted entities.

1. Performance Measures

For each performance measure/indicator the State will use to assess compliance with the statutory assurance complete the following. Where possible, include numerator/denominator. Each performance measure must be specific to this waiver (i.e., data presented must be waiver specific).

For each performance measure, provide information on the aggregated data that will enable the State to analyze and assess progress toward the performance measure. In this section provide information on the method by which each source of data is analyzed statistically/deductively or inductively, how themes are identified or conclusions drawn, and how recommendations are formulated, where appropriate.

Performance Measure:

Presence of an MOA that includes designated functions.

Data Source (Select one):

Other

If 'Other' is selected, specify:

DHHS/DDSN MOA
document

| Responsible Party for data collection/generation (check each that applies): | Frequency of data collection/generation (check each that applies): | Sampling Approach k each that applies): |
|--|--|---|
| State Medicaid Agency | Weekly | 100% Review |
| Operating Agency | Monthly | Less than 100% Review |
| Sub-State Entity | Quarterly | Representative Sample Confidence Interval = |
| Other Specify: | Annually | Stratified Describe Group: |
| | Continuously and Ongoing | Other Specify: |
| | Other Specify: MOA document is updated every 5 years or more often as needed. | |

Data Aggregation and Analysis:

| | |
|---|--|
| Responsible Party for data aggregation and analysis (check each that applies): | Frequency of data aggregation and analysis (check each that applies): |
| State Medicaid Agency | Weekly |
| Operating Agency | Monthly |
| Sub-State Entity | Quarterly |
| Other Specify: | Annually |
| | Continuously and Ongoing |
| | Other Specify: As warranted. |

Performance Measure:

Presence of a service contract that includes requirements and responsibilities for the provision of services.

Data Source (Select one):

Other

If 'Other' is selected, specify:

DHHS/DDSN waiver service
contract

| Responsible Party for data collection/g eneration(c heck each that applies): | Frequency of data collection/ge neration(che ck each that applies): | Sampling Approach k each that applies): |
|---|--|--|
| State Medicaid Agency | Weekly | 100% Review |
| Operating Agency | Monthly | Less than 100% Review |
| Sub-State Entity | Quarterly | Representative Sample Confidence Interval = |
| Other Specify: | Annually | Stratified Describe Group: |
| | Continuously and Ongoing | Other Specify: |
| | Other Specify: Service Contract is renewed at least every 3- 5 years and amended as needed. | |

Data Aggregation and Analysis:

| | |
|--|---|
| Responsible Party for data aggregation and analysis (check each that applies): | Frequency of data aggregation and analysis (check each that applies): |
| State Medicaid Agency | Weekly |
| Operating Agency | Monthly |
| Sub-State Entity | Quarterly |
| Other Specify: | Annually |
| | Continuously and Ongoing |
| | Other Specify: As warranted. |

Performance Measure:

Proportion of focus reviews, utilization reviews, and/or suspected fraud investigations.

Data Source (Select one):

Other

If 'Other' is selected,
specify:

DHHS Report of Findings

| | |
|--|---|
| Responsible Party for data collection/generation (check each that applies): | Frequency of data collection/generation (check each that applies): |
| State Medicaid Agency | Weekly |
| Operating Agency | Monthly |
| Sub-State Entity | Quarterly |
| Other Specify: | Annually |
| | Continuously and Ongoing |
| | Other Specify: Reviews |

Data Aggregation and Analysis:

| Responsible Party for data aggregation and analysis (check each that applies): | Frequency of data aggregation and analysis (check each that applies): |
|---|--|
| State Medicaid Agency | Weekly |
| Operating Agency | Monthly |
| Sub-State Entity | Quarterly |
| Other Specify: | Annually |
| | Continuously and Ongoing |
| | Other Specify: As warranted. |

Performance Measure:

Meetings are held to discuss specific waiver issues.

Data Source (Select one):

Other

If 'Other' is selected, specify:

DHHS/DDSN Agendas/Meetings
Summaries

| Responsible Party for data collection/generation (check each that applies): | Frequency of data collection/generation (check each that applies): | Sampling Approach (check each that applies): |
|--|---|---|
| State Medicaid Agency | Weekly | 100% Review |
| Operating Agency | Monthly | Less than 100% Review |
| Sub-State Entity | Quarterly | Representative Sample Confidence Interval = |
| Other Specify: | Annually | Stratified Describe Group: |
| | Continuously and Ongoing | Other Specify: |
| | Other Specify: Periodically/ as warranted | |

Data Aggregation and Analysis:

| Responsible Party for data aggregation and analysis (check each that applies): | Frequency of data aggregation and analysis (check each that applies): |
|---|--|
| State Medicaid Agency | Weekly |
| Operating Agency | Monthly |
| Sub-State Entity | Quarterly |
| Other Specify: | Annually |
| | Continuously and Ongoing |
| | Other Specify: Periodically/ as warranted |

Performance Measure:

Policy changes related to the HASCI waiver are discussed with and/or communicated in a timely manner.

Data Source (Select one):

Other

If 'Other' is selected,
specify:

Policy/Memo/Bulletin/etc.

| Responsible Party for data collection/generation (check each that applies): | Frequency of data collection/generation (check each that applies): |
|--|---|
| State Medicaid Agency | Weekly |
| Operating Agency | Monthly |
| Sub-State Entity | Quarterly |
| Other Specify: | Annually |
| | Continuously and Ongoing |
| | Other Specify: As warranted |

Data Aggregation and Analysis:

| Responsible Party for data aggregation and analysis (check each that applies): | Frequency of data aggregation and analysis (check each that applies): |
|---|--|
| State Medicaid Agency | Weekly |
| Operating Agency | Monthly |
| Sub-State Entity | Quarterly |
| Other Specify: | Annually |
| | Continuously and Ongoing |
| | Other Specify: As warranted |

2. If applicable, in the textbox below provide any necessary additional information on the strategies employed by the State to discover/identify problems/issues within the waiver program, including frequency and parties responsible.

Character Count: out of 6000

2. **Methods for Remediation/Fixing Individual Problems**

1. Describe the State's method for addressing individual problems as they are discovered. Include information regarding responsible parties and GENERAL methods for problem correction. In addition, provide information on the methods used by the State to document these items.

Character Count: out of 6000

DHHS produces reports of findings based on reviews. These reports are shared with DDSN to address identified issues as warranted through a remediation plan, which may include training, policy corrections, or financial adjustments for Federal Financial Participation. The report of findings identifies issues such as untimely level of care re-evaluations, incomplete service plans, and/or incorrect billings to Medicaid. DDSN is responsible for developing and implementing remedial actions to prevent future occurrences of the same issues.

2. Remediation Data Aggregation

Remediation-related Data Aggregation and Analysis (including trend identification)

| Responsible Party (check each that applies): | Frequency of data aggregation and analysis (check each that applies): |
|---|--|
| State Medicaid Agency | Weekly |
| Operating Agency | Monthly |
| Sub-State Entity | Quarterly |
| Other Specify: | Annually |
| | Continuously and Ongoing |
| | Other Specify: |

3. **Timelines**

When the State does not have all elements of the Quality Improvement Strategy in place, provide timelines to design methods for discovery and remediation related to the assurance of Administrative Authority that are currently non-operational.

No

Yes

not selected

Please provide a detailed strategy for assuring Administrative Authority, the specific timeline for implementing identified strategies, and the parties responsible for its operation.

Character Count: out of 6000

Appendix B: Participant Access and Eligibility

B-1: Specification of the Waiver Target Group(s)

1. Target Group(s). Under the waiver of Section 1902(a)(10)(B) of the Act, the State limits waiver services to a group or subgroups of individuals. Please see the instruction manual for specifics regarding age limits. *In accordance with 42 CFR §441.301(b)(6), select one waiver target group, check each of the subgroups in the selected target group that may receive services under the waiver, and specify the minimum and maximum (if any) age of individuals served in each subgroup:*

| Target Group | Included | Target SubGroup | Minimum Age | Maximum Age | |
|--|----------|-------------------------------|-------------|-------------------|----------------------|
| | | | | Maximum Age Limit | No Maximum Age Limit |
| Aged or Disabled, or Both - General | | | | | |
| | | Aged | | | |
| | | Disabled (Physical) | | | |
| | | Disabled (Other) | | | |
| Aged or Disabled, or Both - Specific Recognized Subgroups | | | | | |
| | | Brain Injury | | | |
| | | HIV/AIDS | | | |
| | | Medically Fragile | | | |
| | | Technology Dependent | | | |
| Mental Retardation or Developmental Disability, or Both | | | | | |
| | | Autism | | | |
| | | Developmental Disability | | | |
| | | Mental Retardation | | | |
| Mental Illness | | | | | |
| | | Mental Illness | | | |
| | | Serious Emotional Disturbance | | | |
| not selected | | | | | |

2. **Additional Criteria.** The State further specifies its target group(s) as follows:

Character Count: out of 12000

Participants must be enrolled prior to age 65 but will remain eligible for Waiver services after their 65th birthday if all other eligibility factors continue to be met. Waiver services are limited to participants with traumatic brain injury, spinal cord injury or both or a similar disability not associated with the process of a progressive, degenerative illness, disease, dementia, or a neurological disorder related to aging, regardless of the age of onset. Where the individual: 1. Has urgent circumstances affecting his/her health or functional status; and, 2. Is dependent on others to provide or assist with critical

health needs, basic activities of daily living or requires daily monitoring or supervision in order to avoid institutionalization; and, 3. Needs services not otherwise available within existing community resources, including family, private means and other agencies/programs, or for whom current resources are inadequate to meet the basic needs of the individual, which would allow them to remain in the community.

3. **Transition of Individuals Affected by Maximum Age Limitation.** When there is a maximum age limit that applies to individuals who may be served in the waiver, describe the transition planning procedures that are undertaken on behalf of participants affected by the age limit (select one):

Not applicable. There is no maximum age limit

The following transition planning procedures are employed for participants who will reach the waiver's maximum age limit.

Specify:

Character Count: out of 12000

Participants on the HASCI Waiver before age 65 remain eligible for Waiver services after their 65th birthday if all other eligibility factors continue to be met.

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B-2: Individual Cost Limit (1 of 2)

1. Individual Cost Limit. The following individual cost limit applies when determining whether to deny home and community-based services or entrance to the waiver to an otherwise eligible individual (*select one*) Please note that a State may have only ONE individual cost limit for the purposes of determining eligibility for the waiver:
- No Cost Limit. The State does not apply an individual cost limit. *Do not complete Item B-2-b or item B-2-c.*
- Cost Limit in Excess of Institutional Costs. The State refuses entrance to the waiver to any otherwise eligible individual when the State reasonably expects that the cost of the home and community-based services furnished to that individual would exceed the cost of a level of care specified for the waiver up to an amount specified by the State. *Complete Items B-2-b and B-2-c.*

The limit specified by the State is (*select one*)

A level higher than 100% of the institutional average.

Specify the percentage:

Other

Specify:

Character Count: out of 6000
not selected

Institutional Cost Limit. Pursuant to 42 CFR 441.301(a)(3), the State refuses entrance to the waiver to any otherwise eligible individual when the State reasonably expects that the cost of the home and community-based services furnished to that individual would exceed 100% of the cost of the level of care specified for the waiver. *Complete Items B-2-b and B-2-c.*

Cost Limit Lower Than Institutional Costs. The State refuses entrance to the waiver to any otherwise qualified individual when the State reasonably expects that the cost of home and community-based services furnished to that individual would exceed the following amount specified by the State that is less than the cost of a level of care specified for the waiver.

Specify the basis of the limit, including evidence that the limit is sufficient to assure the health and welfare of waiver participants. Complete Items B-2-b and B-2-c.

Character Count: out of 6000

The cost limit specified by the State is (select one):

The following dollar amount:

Specify dollar amount:

The dollar amount (select one)

Is adjusted each year that the waiver is in effect by applying the following formula:

Specify the formula:

Character Count: out of 6000

May be adjusted during the period the waiver is in effect. The State will submit a waiver amendment to CMS to adjust the dollar amount.

not selected

The following percentage that is less than 100% of the institutional average:

Specify percent:

Other:

Specify:

Character Count: out of 6000

not selected

not selected

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B-2: Individual Cost Limit (2 of 2)

Answers provided in Appendix B-2-a indicate that you do not need to complete this section.

2. Method of Implementation of the Individual Cost Limit. When an individual cost limit is specified in Item B-2-a, specify the procedures that are followed to determine in advance of waiver entrance that the individual's health and welfare can be assured within the cost limit:

Character Count: out of 12000

3. Participant Safeguards. When the State specifies an individual cost limit in Item B-2-a and there is a change in the participant's condition or circumstances post-entrance to the waiver that requires the provision of services in an amount that exceeds the cost limit in order to assure the participant's health and welfare, the State has established the following safeguards to avoid an adverse impact on the participant (*check each that applies*):

The participant is referred to another waiver that can accommodate the individual's needs.

Additional services in excess of the individual cost limit may be authorized.

Specify the procedures for authorizing additional services, including the amount that may be authorized:

Character Count: out of 12000

Other safeguard(s)

Specify:

Character Count: out of 12000

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B-3: Number of Individuals Served (1 of 4)

1. Unduplicated Number of Participants. The following table specifies the maximum number of unduplicated participants who are served in each year that the waiver is in effect. The State will submit a waiver amendment to CMS to modify the number of participants specified for any year(s), including when a modification is necessary due to legislative appropriation or another reason. The number of unduplicated participants specified in this table is basis for the cost-neutrality calculations in Appendix J:

Table: B-3-a

| Waiver Year | Unduplicated Number of Participants |
|-------------|-------------------------------------|
| Year 1 | |
| Year 2 | |
| Year 3 | |
| Year 4 | |
| Year 5 | |

2. Limitation on the Number of Participants Served at Any Point in Time. Consistent with the unduplicated number of participants specified in Item B-3-a, the State may limit to a lesser number the number of participants who will be served at any point in time during a waiver year. Indicate whether the State limits the number of participants in this way: (*select one*):

The State does not limit the number of participants that it serves at any point in time during a waiver year.

The State limits the number of participants that it serves at any point in time during a waiver year.

The limit that applies to each year of the waiver period is specified in the following table:

Table: B-3-b

| Waiver Year | Maximum Number of Participants Served At Any Point During the Year |
|-------------|--|
| Year 1 | |
| Year 2 | |
| Year 3 | |
| Year 4 | |
| Year 5 | |

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B-3: Number of Individuals Served (2 of 4)

3. Reserved Waiver Capacity. The State may reserve a portion of the participant capacity of the waiver for specified purposes (e.g., provide for the community transition of institutionalized persons or furnish waiver services to individuals experiencing a crisis) subject to CMS review and approval. The State (*select one*):

Not applicable. The state does not reserve capacity.

The State reserves capacity for the following purpose(s).

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B-3: Number of Individuals Served (3 of 4)

4. Scheduled Phase-In or Phase-Out. Within a waiver year, the State may make the number of participants who are served subject to a phase-in or phase-out schedule (*select one*):

The waiver is not subject to a phase-in or a phase-out schedule.

The waiver is subject to a phase-in or phase-out schedule that is included in Attachment #1 to Appendix B-3. This schedule constitutes an intra-year limitation on the number of participants who are served in the waiver.

5. Allocation of Waiver Capacity.

Select one:

Waiver capacity is allocated/managed on a statewide basis.

Waiver capacity is allocated to local/regional non-state entities.

Specify: (a) the entities to which waiver capacity is allocated; (b) the methodology that is used to allocate capacity and how often the methodology is reevaluated; and, (c) policies for the reallocation of unused capacity among local/regional non-state entities:

Character Count: out of 12000

6. Selection of Entrants to the Waiver. Specify the policies that apply to the selection of individuals for entrance to the waiver:

Character Count: out of 12000

This Waiver maintains two waiting lists based on level of need: an Urgent and a Regular waiting list. The criteria for the Urgent waiting list are: 1. Very severe injury with functional limitations a spinal cord injury at the quadriplegic level or extremely or severe head injury. 2. Emergency need for assistance with personal care. 3. The recent loss (permanently gone within the past 90 days) or imminent risk of losing a primary caregiver (permanently gone within the next 90 days), and no other natural supports to replace the primary caregiver. 4. Recently discharged (within the past 90 days) or pending discharge (within the next 90 days) from acute care or rehabilitation hospital with complex unmet service needs. 5. Lack of active support network Participants must have at least two of the above criteria in order to meet the requirements for inclusion on the Urgent waiting list. Participants who meet Urgent criteria will be allocated the first available HASCI Waiver slot. If more than one individual is on the Urgent waiting list, they will be allocated an available HASCI Waiver slot based on the earliest date of request. Individuals on the Regular waiting list will be allocated an available HASCI Waiver slot based on earliest date of request if there are no current applicants on the Urgent waiting list. An individual terminated from the Waiver because of hospitalization or temporary admission to a nursing facility exceeding a full calendar month will have his or her Waiver slot held up to 90 calendar days if it is anticipated the individual will be

discharged during that time. Re-enrollment in the Waiver is contingent upon the individual continuing to meet all eligibility requirements. An individual terminated from the Waiver due to the interruption of Medicaid eligibility for more than 30 days but less than 90 calendar days will have his/her slot held up to 90 days for Medicaid eligibility to be reinstated. An individual who has not received a Waiver service for 30 calendar days due to non-availability of a provider will have his or her slot held up to 90 calendar days. If a provider is located within 90 calendar days, the individual will be re-enrolled into the HASCI Waiver as long as all other eligibility criteria are met. An individual who has resided in a nursing facility, hospital swing bed, or administrative day bed for 90 days or more and who requests to be discharged to receive community based services will immediately be allocated a Waiver slot after medical, financial and other Waiver eligibility requirements are met. Transition must be arranged through a DDSN Service Coordinator.

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B-3: Number of Individuals Served - Attachment #1 (4 of 4)

Answers provided in Appendix B-3-d indicate that you do not need to complete this section.

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B-4: Eligibility Groups Served in the Waiver

1. State Classification. The State is a (*select one*):
 - §1634 State
 - SSI Criteria State
 - 209(b) State
 - not selected
2. Miller Trust State.
Indicate whether the State is a Miller Trust State (*select one*):
 - No
 - Yes
 - Unknown
2. Medicaid Eligibility Groups Served in the Waiver. Individuals who receive services under this waiver are eligible under the following eligibility groups contained in the State plan. The State applies all applicable federal financial participation limits under the plan. *Check all that apply*:
Eligibility Groups Served in the Waiver (excluding the special home and community-based waiver group under 42 CFR §435.217)
Low income families with children as provided in §1931 of the Act
SSI recipients
Aged, blind or disabled in 209(b) states who are eligible under 42 CFR §435.121
Optional State supplement recipients
Optional categorically needy aged and/or disabled individuals who have income at:

Select one:

100% of the Federal poverty level (FPL)
% of FPL, which is lower than 100% of FPL.

Specify percentage:
not selected
Working individuals with disabilities who buy into Medicaid (BBA working disabled group as provided in §1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XIII) of the Act)
Working individuals with disabilities who buy into Medicaid (TWWIIA Basic Coverage Group as provided in §1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XV) of the Act)
Working individuals with disabilities who buy into Medicaid (TWWIIA Medical Improvement Coverage Group as provided in §1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XVI) of the Act)
Disabled individuals age 18 or younger who would require an institutional level of care (TEFRA 134 eligibility

group as provided in §1902(e)(3) of the Act)

Medically needy

Medically needy in 209(b) States (42 CFR §435.330)

Medically needy in 1634 States and SSI Criteria States (42 CFR §435.320, §435.322 and §435.324)

Other specified groups (include only statutory/regulatory reference to reflect the additional groups in the State plan that may receive services under this waiver)

Specify:

Character Count: out of 6000

Special home and community-based waiver group under 42 CFR §435.217 Note: When the special home and community-based waiver group under 42 CFR §435.217 is included, Appendix B-5 must be completed

No. The State does not furnish waiver services to individuals in the special home and community-based waiver group under 42 CFR §435.217. Appendix B-5 is not submitted.

Yes. The State furnishes waiver services to individuals in the special home and community-based waiver group under 42 CFR §435.217.

not selected

Select one and complete Appendix B-5.

All individuals in the special home and community-based waiver group under 42 CFR §435.217

Only the following groups of individuals in the special home and community-based waiver group under 42 CFR §435.217

not selected

Check each that applies:

A special income level equal to:

Select one:

300% of the SSI Federal Benefit Rate (FBR)

A percentage of FBR, which is lower than 300% (42 CFR §435.236)

Specify percentage:

A dollar amount which is lower than 300%.

Specify dollar amount:

not selected

Aged, blind and disabled individuals who meet requirements that are more restrictive than the SSI program (42 CFR §435.121)

Medically needy without spenddown in States which also provide Medicaid to recipients of SSI (42 CFR §435.320, §435.322 and §435.324)

Medically needy without spend down in 209(b) States (42 CFR §435.330)

Aged and disabled individuals who have income at:

Select one:

100% of FPL

% of FPL, which is lower than 100%.

Specify percentage amount:

not selected

Other specified groups (include only statutory/regulatory reference to reflect the additional groups in the State plan that may receive services under this waiver)

Specify:

Character Count: out of 6000

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B-5: Post-Eligibility Treatment of Income (1 of 4)

In accordance with 42 CFR §441.303(e), Appendix B-5 must be completed when the State furnishes waiver services to individuals in the special home and community-based waiver group under 42 CFR §435.217, as indicated in Appendix B-4. Post-eligibility applies only to the 42 CFR §435.217 group. A State that uses spousal impoverishment rules under §1924 of the Act to determine the eligibility of individuals with a community spouse may elect to use spousal post-eligibility rules under §1924 of the Act to protect a personal needs allowance for a participant with a community spouse.

1. **Use of Spousal Impoverishment Rules.** Indicate whether spousal impoverishment rules are used to determine eligibility for the special home and community-based waiver group under 42 CFR §435.217 (*select one*):

Spousal impoverishment rules under §1924 of the Act are used to determine the eligibility of individuals with a community spouse for the special home and community-based waiver group.

In the case of a participant with a community spouse, the State elects to (*select one*):

Use spousal post-eligibility rules under §1924 of the Act.

(Complete Item B-5-b (SSI State) and Item B-5-d)

Use regular post-eligibility rules under 42 CFR §435.726 (SSI State) or under §435.735 (209b State)

(Complete Item B-5-b (SSI State) . Do not complete Item B-5-d)

not selected

Spousal impoverishment rules under §1924 of the Act are not used to determine eligibility of individuals with a community spouse for the special home and community-based waiver group. The State uses regular post-eligibility rules for individuals with a community spouse.

(Complete Item B-5-b (SSI State) . Do not complete Item B-5-d)

not selected

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B-5: Post-Eligibility Treatment of Income (2 of 4)

2. **Regular Post-Eligibility Treatment of Income: SSI State.**

The State uses the post-eligibility rules at 42 CFR 435.726 for individuals who do not have a spouse or have a spouse who is not a community spouse as specified in §1924 of the Act. Payment for home and community-based waiver services is reduced by the amount remaining after deducting the following allowances and expenses from the waiver participant's income:

1. **Allowance for the needs of the waiver participant** (*select one*):

The following standard included under the State plan

Select one:

SSI standard

Optional State supplement standard

Medically needy income standard

The special income level for institutionalized persons

(*select one*):

300% of the SSI Federal Benefit Rate (FBR)

A percentage of the FBR, which is less than 300%

Specify the percentage:

A dollar amount which is less than 300%.

Specify dollar amount:

not selected

A percentage of the Federal poverty level

Specify percentage:

Other standard included under the State Plan

Specify:

Character Count: out of 36000

not selected

The following dollar amount

Specify dollar amount: If this amount changes, this item will be revised.

The following formula is used to determine the needs allowance:

Specify:

Character Count: out of 6000

Other

Specify:

Character Count: out of 6000

not selected

2. **Allowance for the spouse only** (*select one*):

Not Applicable

The state provides an allowance for a spouse who does not meet the definition of a community spouse in §1924 of the Act. Describe the circumstances under which this allowance is provided:

Specify:

Character Count: out of 6000

Specify the amount of the allowance (*select one*):

SSI standard

Optional State supplement standard

Medically needy income standard

The following dollar amount:

Specify dollar amount: If this amount changes, this item will be revised.

The amount is determined using the following formula:

Specify:

Character Count: out of 6000

not selected

not selected

3. **Allowance for the family** (*select one*):

Not Applicable (see instructions)

AFDC need standard

Medically needy income standard
The following dollar amount:

Specify dollar amount: The amount specified cannot exceed the higher of the need standard for a family of the same size used to determine eligibility under the State's approved AFDC plan or the medically needy income standard established under 42 CFR §435.811 for a family of the same size. If this amount changes, this item will be revised.

The amount is determined using the following formula:

Specify:

Character Count: out of 6000
Other

Specify:

Character Count: out of 6000
not selected

4. Amounts for incurred medical or remedial care expenses not subject to payment by a third party, specified in 42 §CFR 435.726:

1. Health insurance premiums, deductibles and co-insurance charges
2. Necessary medical or remedial care expenses recognized under State law but not covered under the State's Medicaid plan, subject to reasonable limits that the State may establish on the amounts of these expenses.

Select one:

Not Applicable (see instructions) Note: If the State protects the maximum amount for the waiver participant, not applicable must be selected.

The State does not establish reasonable limits.

The State establishes the following reasonable limits

Specify:

Character Count: out of 6000

1. Prescription drugs above the four (4) prescriptions-per-month limit, not to exceed \$54.00 per additional prescription per month. 2. Eyeglasses not otherwise covered by the Medicaid program, not to exceed a total of \$108 per occurrence for lenses, frames and dispensing fee. A licensed optometrist or ophthalmologist must certify the necessity of eyeglasses. 3. Dentures. A one-time expense not to exceed \$651.00 per plate or \$1320.00 for one full pair of dentures. A licensed dental practitioner must certify necessity. An expense for more than one pair of dentures must be prior approved by State DHHS. 4. Denture repair. Justified as necessary by a licensed dental practitioner. Not to exceed \$69 per visit. 5. Physician and other medical practitioner visits that exceed the yearly limit, not to exceed \$69 per visit. 6. Hearing Aids. A one-time expense. Not to exceed \$1000.00 for one or \$2000.00 for both. Necessity must be certified by a licensed practitioner. An expense for more than one hearing aid must be prior approved by State DHHS. 7. The deduction for medical and remedial care expenses that were incurred as the result of imposition of a transfer of assets penalty is limited to zero.
not selected

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B-5: Post-Eligibility Treatment of Income (3 of 4)

3. Regular Post-Eligibility Treatment of Income: 209(B) State.

Answers provided in Appendix B-4 indicate that you do not need to complete this section and therefore this section is not visible.

Appendix B: Participant Access and Eligibility

B-5: Post-Eligibility Treatment of Income (4 of 4)

4. Post-Eligibility Treatment of Income Using Spousal Impoverishment Rules

The State uses the post-eligibility rules of §1924(d) of the Act (spousal impoverishment protection) to determine the contribution of a participant with a community spouse toward the cost of home and community-based care if it determines the individual's eligibility under §1924 of the Act. There is deducted from the participant's monthly income a personal needs allowance (as specified below), a community spouse's allowance and a family allowance as specified in the State Medicaid Plan.. The State must also protect amounts for incurred expenses for medical or remedial care (as specified below).

1. Allowance for the personal needs of the waiver participant

(select one):

- SSI standard
- Optional State supplement standard
- Medically needy income standard
- The special income level for institutionalized persons
- A percentage of the Federal poverty level

Specify percentage:

The following dollar amount:

Specify dollar amount: If this amount changes, this item will be revised

The following formula is used to determine the needs allowance:

Specify formula:

Character Count: out of 4000

Other

Specify:

Character Count: out of 36000

not selected

2. If the allowance for the personal needs of a waiver participant with a community spouse is different from the amount used for the individual's maintenance allowance under 42 CFR §435.726 or 42 CFR §435.735, explain why this amount is reasonable to meet the individual's maintenance needs in the community.

Select one:

- Allowance is the same
- Allowance is different.

Explanation of difference:

Character Count: out of 6000

not selected

3. Amounts for incurred medical or remedial care expenses not subject to payment by a third party, specified in 42 §CFR 435.726:

1. Health insurance premiums, deductibles and co-insurance charges
2. Necessary medical or remedial care expenses recognized under State law but not covered under the State's Medicaid plan, subject to reasonable limits that the State may establish on the amounts of these expenses.

Select one:

Not Applicable (see instructions) Note: If the State protects the maximum amount for the waiver participant, not applicable must be selected.
The State does not establish reasonable limits.
The State uses the same reasonable limits as are used for regular (non-spousal) post-eligibility.
not selected

Appendix B: Participant Access and Eligibility

B-6: Evaluation/Reevaluation of Level of Care

As specified in 42 CFR §441.302(c), the State provides for an evaluation (and periodic reevaluations) of the need for the level(s) of care specified for this waiver, when there is a reasonable indication that an individual may need such services in the near future (one month or less), but for the availability of home and community-based waiver services.

1. **Reasonable Indication of Need for Services.** In order for an individual to be determined to need waiver services, an individual must require: (a) the provision of at least one waiver service, as documented in the service plan, and (b) the provision of waiver services at least monthly or, if the need for services is less than monthly, the participant requires regular monthly monitoring which must be documented in the service plan. Specify the State's policies concerning the reasonable indication of the need for services:

1. **Minimum number of services.**

The minimum number of waiver services (one or more) that an individual must require in order to be determined to need waiver services is:

2. **Frequency of services.** The State requires (select one):

The provision of waiver services at least monthly

Monthly monitoring of the individual when services are furnished on a less than monthly basis

If the State also requires a minimum frequency for the provision of waiver services other than monthly (e.g., quarterly), specify the frequency:

Character Count: out of 4000

not selected

2. **Responsibility for Performing Evaluations and Reevaluations.** Level of care evaluations and reevaluations are performed (*select one*):

Directly by the Medicaid agency

By the operating agency specified in Appendix A

By an entity under contract with the Medicaid agency.

Specify the entity:

Character Count: out of 4000

Other

Specify:

Character Count: out of 4000

This Waiver employs both the Nursing Facility and ICF/MR levels of care in assessing potential Waiver eligibility. The majority of the participants currently enrolled in this Waiver are assessed using the Nursing Facility level of care. The initial Nursing Facility level of care evaluation is performed directly by DHHS. All reevaluations of the Nursing Facility level of care are done by service coordinators employed by contracted providers of DDSN. All initial ICF/MR level of care evaluations are performed directly by DDSN, reevaluations of the ICF/MR level of care are performed by service coordinators employed by contracted providers of DDSN.

not selected

3. **Qualifications of Individuals Performing Initial Evaluation:** Per 42 CFR §441.303(c)(1), specify the educational/professional qualifications of individuals who perform the initial evaluation of level of care for waiver

applicants:

Character Count: out of 6000

The Director of the Consumer Assessment: Minimum qualifications are a Doctorate in Applied Psychology from a designated program in Psychology; or 60 semester hours post-graduate credit towards a Doctorate in Applied Psych & 3 years experience in the practice of Applied Psych subsequent to 1 year graduate work (30) hours in Psych; or Master's degree in Applied Psych and 5 years experience in practice subsequent to Master's degree; or possession of current licensure to practice Psychology in South Carolina. Psychologist: Minimum qualifications are a Master's degree in psychology and 4 years of clinical experience subsequent to Master's degree or possession of a license to practice psychology in the State of South Carolina. If the years of experience are not met, the psychologist will receive direct supervision and all work is reviewed by a psychologist.

4. Level of Care Criteria. Fully specify the level of care criteria that are used to evaluate and reevaluate whether an individual needs services through the waiver and that serve as the basis of the State's level of care instrument/tool. Specify the level of care instrument/tool that is employed. State laws, regulations, and policies concerning level of care criteria and the level of care instrument/tool are available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable), including the instrument/tool utilized.

Character Count: out of 12000

The South Carolina level of care criteria for Intermediate Care Facility/Mentally Retarded issued by DHHS states: Eligibility for Medicaid sponsored Intermediate Care Facility-Mentally Retarded (ICF/MR) in South Carolina consists of meeting the following criteria: 1. The person has a confirmed diagnosis of mental retardation, OR related disability as defined by 42 CFR 435.1009 (as amended by 42 CFR 435.1010), and South Carolina Code Section 44-20-30. "Mental retardation" means significantly subaverage general intellectual functioning existing concurrently with deficits in adaptive behavior and manifested during the developmental period. "Related disability" is a severe, chronic condition found to be closely related to mental retardation and must meet the four following conditions: • It is attributable to cerebral palsy, epilepsy, autism or any other condition other than mental illness found to be closely related to mental retardation because this condition results in impairment similar to that of persons with mental retardation and requires treatment or services similar to those required for these persons. • It is manifested before twenty-two years of age. • It is likely to continue indefinitely. • It results in substantial functional limitations in three or more of the following areas of major life activity: self-care, understanding and use of language, learning, mobility, self-direction and capacity for independent living. AND 2. The person's needs are such that supervision is necessary due to impaired judgment, limited capabilities, behavior problems, abusiveness, assaultiveness or because of drug effect/medical monitorship. AND 3. The person is in need of services directed toward a) the acquisition of the behaviors necessary to function with as much self-determination and independence as possible; or b) the prevention or deceleration of regression or loss of current optimal functional status. The above criteria are applied as a part of a comprehensive review conducted by an interdisciplinary team. The criteria describe the minimum services and functional deficits necessary to qualify for Medicaid sponsored ICF/MR. Because no set of criteria can adequately describe all the possible circumstances, knowledge of an individual's particular situation is essential in applying these criteria. Professional judgment is used in rating the individual's abilities and needs. A standardized instrument is used to gather necessary information for level of care determinations.

5. Level of Care Instrument(s). Per 42 CFR §441.303(c)(2), indicate whether the instrument/tool used to evaluate level of care for the waiver differs from the instrument/tool used to evaluate institutional level of care (*select one*):
The same instrument is used in determining the level of care for the waiver and for institutional care under the State Plan.
A different instrument is used to determine the level of care for the waiver than for institutional care under the State plan.

Describe how and why this instrument differs from the form used to evaluate institutional level of care and explain how the outcome of the determination is reliable, valid, and fully comparable.

Character Count: out of 12000

not selected

6. Process for Level of Care Evaluation/Reevaluation: Per 42 CFR §441.303(c)(1), describe the process for evaluating waiver applicants for their need for the level of care under the waiver. If the reevaluation process differs from the evaluation process, describe the differences:

Character Count: out of 12000

The same process and level of care determination form are used.

7. Reevaluation Schedule. Per 42 CFR §441.303(c)(4), reevaluations of the level of care required by a participant are conducted no less frequently than annually according to the following schedule (*select one*):
Every three months
Every six months
Every twelve months
Other schedule
Specify the other schedule:

Character Count: out of 4000

Conducted at least annually (within 365 days from the date of the previous level of care (LOC) determination.
not selected

8. Qualifications of Individuals Who Perform Reevaluations. Specify the qualifications of individuals who perform reevaluations (*select one*):
The qualifications of individuals who perform reevaluations are the same as individuals who perform initial evaluations.
The qualifications are different.
Specify the qualifications:

Character Count: out of 6000

Service Coordinators must hold a Master's or Bachelor's degree in Social Work or a related field or a Bachelor's degree in an unrelated field of study and have one (1) year of experience working with individuals with head and spinal cord injury or related disabilities, or in a case management program.
not selected

9. Procedures to Ensure Timely Reevaluations. Per 42 CFR §441.303(c)(4), specify the procedures that the State employs to ensure timely reevaluations of level of care (specify):

Character Count: out of 6000

An automated system produced by the DDSN tracks LOC due dates for reevaluations and alerts the SC/EI and/or his/her supervisor to its impending date. Additionally, if any LOC determination is found to be out of date, FFP is recouped from DDSN for all waiver services that were billed when the LOC was not timely.

10. Maintenance of Evaluation/Reevaluation Records. Per 42 CFR §441.303(c)(3), the State assures that written and/or electronically retrievable documentation of all evaluations and reevaluations are maintained for a minimum period of 3 years as required in 45 CFR §92.42. Specify the location(s) where records of evaluations and reevaluations of level of care are maintained:

Character Count: out of 6000

Written and electronically retrievable documents are housed with the contracted providers of DDSN. They are available upon request by DDSN or DHHS.

Appendix B: Evaluation/Reevaluation of Level of Care

Quality Improvement: Level of Care

As a distinct component of the State's quality improvement strategy, provide information in the following fields to detail the State's methods for discovery and remediation.

1. Methods for Discovery: Level of Care Assurance/Sub-assurances

1. Sub-Assurances:

1. Sub-assurance: An evaluation for LOC is provided to all applicants for whom there is reasonable indication that services may be needed in the future.

Performance Measures

For each performance measure/indicator the State will use to assess compliance with the statutory assurance complete the following. Where possible, include numerator/denominator. Each performance measure must be specific to this waiver (i.e., data presented must be waiver specific).

For each performance measure, provide information on the aggregated data that will enable the State to analyze and assess progress toward the performance measure. In this section provide information on the method by which each source of data is analyzed statistically/deductively or inductively, how themes are identified or conclusions drawn, and how recommendations are formulated, where appropriate.

Performance Measure:

Proportion of new enrollees whose LOC completion date is not 30 days prior to waiver enrollment.

Data Source (Select one):

Other

If 'Other' is selected, specify:

DDSN Waiver Enrollment
Reviews

| Responsible Party for data collection/generation (check each that applies): | Frequency of data collection/generation (check each that applies): | Sampling Approach check each that applies): |
|--|---|---|
| State Medicaid Agency | Weekly | 100% Review |
| Operating Agency | Monthly | Less than 100% Review |
| Sub-State Entity | Quarterly | Representative Sample Confidence Interval = |
| Other Specify: | Annually | Stratified Describe Group: |
| | Continuously and Ongoing | Other Specify: |
| | Other | |

Data Source (Select one):

Other

If 'Other' is selected, specify:

DHHS Enrollment Reviews

| Responsible Party for data collection/generation (check each that applies): | Frequency of data collection/generation (check each that applies): | Sampling Approach check each that applies): |
|--|---|---|
| State Medicaid Agency | Weekly | 100% Review |
| Operating Agency | Monthly | Less than 100% Review |
| Sub-State Entity | Quarterly | Representative Sample Confidence Interval = |
| Other Specify: | Annually | Stratified Describe Group: |
| | Continuously and Ongoing | Other Specify: |
| | Other Specify: | |

Data Aggregation and Analysis:

| Responsible Party for data aggregation and analysis (check each that applies): | Frequency of data aggregation and analysis (check each that applies): |
|---|--|
| State Medicaid Agency | Weekly |
| Operating Agency | Monthly |
| Sub-State Entity | Quarterly |
| Other Specify: | Annually |
| | Continuously and Ongoing |
| | Other Specify: |

2. Sub-assurance: The levels of care of enrolled participants are reevaluated at least annually or as specified in the approved waiver.

Performance Measures

For each performance measure/indicator the State will use to assess compliance with the statutory assurance complete the following. Where possible, include numerator/denominator. Each performance measure must be specific to this waiver (i.e., data presented must be waiver specific).

For each performance measure, provide information on the aggregated data that will enable the State to analyze and assess progress toward the performance measure. In this section provide information on the method by which each source of data is analyzed statistically/deductively or inductively, how themes are identified or conclusions drawn, and how recommendations are formulated, where appropriate.

Performance Measure:

Proportion of participants whose LOC reevaluation does not occur prior to the 365th day of the previous LOC evaluation.

Data Source (Select one):

Other

If 'Other' is selected, specify:

DDSN Waiver Tracking
System

| Responsible Party for data collection/generation (check each that applies): | Frequency of data collection/generation (check each that applies): | Sampling Approach check each that applies): |
|--|---|---|
| State Medicaid Agency | Weekly | 100% Review |
| Operating Agency | Monthly | Less than 100% Review |
| Sub-State Entity | Quarterly | Representative Sample Confidence Interval = |
| Other Specify: | Annually | Stratified Describe Group: |
| | Continuously and Ongoing | Other Specify: |
| | Other Specify: | |

Data Source (Select one):

Other

If 'Other' is selected, specify:

DDSN CAT log

| Responsible Party for data collection/generation (check each that applies): | Frequency of data collection/generation (check each that applies): | Sampling Approach check each that applies): |
|--|---|---|
| State Medicaid Agency | Weekly | 100% Review |
| Operating Agency | Monthly | Less than 100% Review |
| Sub-State Entity | Quarterly | Representative Sample Confidence Interval = |
| Other Specify: | Annually | Stratified Describe Group: |
| | Continuously and Ongoing | Other Specify: |
| | Other Specify: | |

Data Source (Select one):

Other

If 'Other' is selected, specify:

DDSN QIO Report

| Responsible Party for data collection/generation (check each that applies): | Frequency of data collection/generation (check each that applies): | Sampling Approach check each that applies): |
|--|---|---|
| State Medicaid Agency | Weekly | 100% Review |
| Operating Agency | Monthly | Less than 100% Review |
| Sub-State Entity | Quarterly | Representative Sample Confidence Interval = +/-15% |
| Other Specify: | Annually | Stratified Describe Group: |
| | Continuously and Ongoing | Other Specify: |
| | Other Specify: DDSN QIO Reviews are conducted every 12-18 months depending on past provider performance. | |

Data Aggregation and Analysis:

| Responsible Party for data aggregation and analysis (check each that applies): | Frequency of data aggregation and analysis (check each that applies): |
|---|--|
| State Medicaid Agency | Weekly |
| Operating Agency | Monthly |
| Sub-State Entity | Quarterly |
| Other Specify: | Annually |
| | Continuously and Ongoing |
| | Other Specify: |

3. Sub-assurance: The processes and instruments described in the approved waiver are applied appropriately and according to the approved description to determine participant level of care.

Performance Measures

For each performance measure/indicator the State will use to assess compliance with the statutory assurance complete the following. Where possible, include numerator/denominator. Each performance measure must be specific to this waiver (i.e., data presented must be waiver specific).

For each performance measure, provide information on the aggregated data that will enable the State to analyze and assess progress toward the performance measure. In this section provide information on the method by which each source of data is analyzed statistically/deductively or inductively, how themes are identified or conclusions drawn, and how recommendations are formulated, where appropriate.

Performance Measure:

Proportion of LOC determinations that were conducted using the appropriate criteria and instrument.

Data Source (Select one):

Other

If 'Other' is selected,
specify:

DHHS QIO Record
Reviews

| Responsible Party for data collection/g eneration(c heck each that applies): | Frequency of data collection/ge neration(chec k each that applies): |
|---|--|
| State Medicaid Agency | Weekly |
| Operating Agency | Monthly |
| Sub-State Entity | Quarterly |
| Other Specify: | Annually |
| | Continuously and Ongoing |
| | Other Specify: |

Data Source (Select one):

Other

If 'Other' is selected,
specify:

DHHS Focus Reviews

| Responsible Party for data collection/g eneration(c heck each that applies): | Frequency of data collection/ge neration(chec k each that applies): |
|---|--|
| State Medicaid Agency | Weekly |
| Operating Agency | Monthly |
| Sub-State Entity | Quarterly |
| Other Specify: | Annually |
| | Continuously and Ongoing |
| | Other Specify: |

Data Aggregation and Analysis:

| Responsible Party for data aggregation and analysis (check each that applies): | Frequency of data aggregation and analysis (check each that applies): |
|---|--|
| State Medicaid Agency | Weekly |
| Operating Agency | Monthly |
| Sub-State Entity | Quarterly |
| Other Specify: | Annually |
| | Continuously and Ongoing |
| | Other Specify: |

2. If applicable, in the textbox below provide any necessary additional information on the strategies employed by the State to discover/identify problems/issues within the waiver program, including frequency and parties responsible.

Character Count: out of 6000

2. **Methods for Remediation/Fixing Individual Problems**

1. Describe the State's method for addressing individual problems as they are discovered. Include information regarding responsible parties and GENERAL methods for problem correction. In addition, provide information on the methods used by the State to document these items.

Character Count: out of 6000

When DDSN's QIO identifies problems, the provider agency being reviewed is required to submit a plan of correction to address the issues discovered. The QIO conducts a follow-up review to determine if corrections have been made. Additionally, QIO reports are reviewed by DDSN Operations staff. As needed, technical assistance is provided to providers by the Operations staff. Documentation of all technical assistance is available. DDSN QIO reviews, provider plans of correction and QIO follow-up review results are available to DHHS.

2. Remediation Data Aggregation

Remediation-related Data Aggregation and Analysis (including trend identification)

| Responsible Party (check each that applies): | Frequency of data aggregation and analysis (check each that applies): |
|---|--|
| State Medicaid Agency | Weekly |
| Operating Agency | Monthly |
| Sub-State Entity | Quarterly |
| Other Specify: | Annually |
| | Continuously and Ongoing |
| | Other Specify: |

3. **Timelines**

When the State does not have all elements of the Quality Improvement Strategy in place, provide timelines to design methods for discovery and remediation related to the assurance of Level of Care that are currently non-operational.

No

Yes

not selected

Please provide a detailed strategy for assuring Level of Care, the specific timeline for implementing identified strategies, and the parties responsible for its operation.

Character Count: out of 6000

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B-7: Freedom of Choice

Freedom of Choice. As provided in 42 CFR §441.302(d), when an individual is determined to be likely to require a level of care for this waiver, the individual or his or her legal representative is:

- i. informed of any feasible alternatives under the waiver; and
 - ii. given the choice of either institutional or home and community-based services.
1. Procedures. Specify the State's procedures for informing eligible individuals (or their legal representatives) of the feasible alternatives available under the waiver and allowing these individuals to choose either institutional or waiver services. Identify the form(s) that are employed to document freedom of choice. The form or forms are available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

Character Count: out of 12000

Long-term care options are discussed with potentially eligible individuals (or their legal representatives) during the assessment and subsequent visits. This choice will remain in effect until the participant changes his/her mind. If the participant lacks the physical or mental ability required to make a written choice regarding his/her care, a responsible party may sign the Freedom of Choice Form. The Freedom of Choice (FOC) form does not include language about the services available under the waiver. That information is on the Waiver Information Sheet which is given to every waiver applicant, and contains language about all services available under the waiver. The FOC form is used to offer individuals or his/her guardian the choice between institutional services and home and community-based waiver services. This form, which documents the preferred choice of location for service delivery, is provided by the SC/EI and is maintained in the waiver record.

2. Maintenance of Forms. Per 45 CFR §92.42, written copies or electronically retrievable facsimiles of Freedom of Choice forms are maintained for a minimum of three years. Specify the locations where copies of these forms are maintained.

Character Count: out of 4000

The Freedom of Choice Form is maintained in the participant's record.

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B-8: Access to Services by Limited English Proficiency Persons

Access to Services by Limited English Proficient Persons. Specify the methods that the State uses to provide meaningful access to the waiver by Limited English Proficient persons in accordance with the Department of Health and Human Services "Guidance to Federal Financial Assistance Recipients Regarding Title VI Prohibition Against National Origin Discrimination Affecting Limited English Proficient Persons" (68 FR 47311 - August 8, 2003):

Character Count: out of 12000

DDSN requires that each local DSN Board/provider agency be in compliance with Title VI and establish a grievance procedure to assure that everyone is given a fair and timely review of all complaints alleging discrimination. All SCDDSN contracts with local DSN Boards/provider agencies will contain an "Assurance of Compliance" statement. Local Boards/provider agencies are responsible for identifying a compliance coordinator for the agency who is also identified on every recipient's annual plan. Compliance Coordinators within the local Boards/provider agencies will be responsible for assuring compliance and access to services by persons with limited English proficiency. The Compliance Coordinator is responsible for maintaining records documenting the complaints filed and actions that are taken to bring resolution to the complaint(s). A DDSN State Compliance Coordinator will be responsible for monitoring the compliance process. The DDSN State Coordinator will assist the local Board/provider agency Compliance Coordinator with identifying resources when necessary. The DDSN State Compliance Coordinator will notify DHHS when any discrimination complaints are filed.

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1: Summary of Services Covered (1 of 2)

1. Waiver Services Summary. *List the services that are furnished under the waiver in the following table. If case management is not a service under the waiver, complete items C-1-b and C-1-c:*

| Service Type | Service | | |
|-----------------------------|--|--|--|
| Statutory Service | Attendant Care/Personal Assistance Services | | |
| Statutory Service | Day Habilitation | | |
| Statutory Service | Prevocational Services | | |
| Statutory Service | Residential Habilitation | | |
| Statutory Service | Respite Care Services | | |
| Statutory Service | Supported Employment Services | | |
| Extended State Plan Service | Occupational Therapy | | |
| Extended State Plan Service | Physical Therapy | | |
| Extended State Plan Service | Prescribed Drugs, except drugs furnished to participants under Medicare Part D benefits. | | |
| Extended State Plan Service | Speech, hearing and language services | | |
| Other Service | Behavioral Support Services | | |
| Other Service | Environmental Modifications | | |
| Other Service | Health Education for Consumer-Directed Care | | |
| Other Service | Medicaid Waiver Nursing | | |
| Other Service | Medical Supplies, Equipment and Assistive Technology | | |
| Other Service | Peer Guidance for Consumer-Directed Care | | |
| Other Service | Personal Emergency Response Systems | | |
| Other Service | Private Vehicle Modifications | | |

| Service Type | Service | | |
|---------------|------------------------|--|--|
| Other Service | Psychological Services | | |

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Service Specification

State laws, regulations and policies referenced in the specification are readily available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

Service Type:

Statutory Service Extended State Plan Service Supports for Participant Direction Other Service

Service:

Case Management Homemaker Home Health Aide Personal Care Adult Day Health Habilitation Residential Habilitation Day Habilitation Prevocational Services Supported Employment Education Respite Day Treatment Partial Hospitalization Psychosocial Rehabilitation Clinic Services Live-in Caregiver (42 CFR §441.303(f)(8))

Alternate Service Title (if any):

Attendant Care/Personal Assistance Services

Service Definition (Scope):

Attendant Care/Personal Assistance Services are supports for personal care and activities of daily living specific to the assessed needs of a medically stable individual with physical and/or cognitive impairments. Supports may include direct care, hands-on assistance, direction and/or cueing, supervision, and nursing to the extent permitted by State law. Supports may be provided in the participant's home and/or a variety of community settings as indicated in the Support Plan, but only when attendant care/personal assistance is not already available in such settings. Housekeeping activities incidental to care or essential to the health and welfare of the participant, rather than the participant's family, may be provided as specified in the Support Plan. Supports provided during community access activities must directly relate to the participant's needs for care and/or supervision. Transportation may be provided as a component of Attendant Care/Personal Assistance Services when necessary for provision of personal care or performance of daily living activities. Cost of incidental transportation is included in the rate paid to providers. Supervision will be provided by a nurse licensed to practice in the state. The frequency and intensity of the supervision will be specified in the participant's Support Plan. As an option, supervision may be performed directly by the participant or a responsible party, when the participant or responsible party has been trained to perform this function, and when safety and efficacy of supervision provided by the participant or responsible party has been certified by a licensed nurse or otherwise as provided in State law. Certification must be based on direct observation of the participant or responsible party and the specific attendant care/personal assistance provider(s) during actual provision of care. Documentation of this certification will be maintained in the participant's Support Plan.

Specify applicable (if any) limits on the amount, frequency, or duration of this service:

The proposed limits on the amount, duration or frequency for the service are consistent with assuring health and welfare based on survey input from HASCI Waiver participants, and a utilization analysis report. The SCDDSN analysis report estimates a total of 178 participants who may be affected by the proposed waiver service limits at a cost savings of \$667,193. The new proposed limit is 49 hours per week, which will be authorized on a weekly basis. The weekly authorization will allow a participant to schedule services with more flexibility to best meet their needs, coordinate available community supports, natural supports, and other resources. The current HASCI Waiver allows up to 10 hours per day of Attendant Care/Personal Assistance to be authorized on a short-term basis (not to exceed 90 days) due to special need circumstances. This safety net is unchanged in the proposed HASCI Waiver Amendment. Additionally, the HASCI Waiver will continue to offer options for hourly, daily, and institutional Respite Care to provide relief to caregivers, as well as, services for individuals who live alone or are alone for any part of the day or night and would otherwise require extensive routine supervision. The Personal Emergency Response System (PERS) is a waiver service that enables an individual to secure help in an emergency situation while living independently and assuring their health care needs.

Service Delivery Method (*check each that applies*):

Participant-directed as specified in Appendix E

Provider managed

Specify whether the service may be provided by (check each that applies):

Legally Responsible Person

Relative

**Legal Guardian
Provider Specifications:**

| Provider Category | Provider Type Title |
|-------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Individual | Independent attendant care providers |
| Agency | DSN Board/contracted providers |
| Agency | Attendant care provider agencies |

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Statutory Service
Service Name: Attendant Care/Personal Assistance Services

Provider Category:
Individual Agency

Provider Type:
Independent attendant care providers

Provider Qualifications
License (specify):
Certificate (specify):
Other Standard (specify):
Contract Scope of Service/DDSN Home Supports Caregiver Policy, Pre-service Training Requirements and Orientation (567-01-DD) which lists requirements to include the outline of minimum requirements for the curriculum for HASCI Waiver caregivers

Verification of Provider Qualifications
Entity Responsible for Verification:
Licensed nurse under a contract with state Medicaid agency

Frequency of Verification:
Upon enrollment and annually

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Statutory Service

Service Name: Attendant Care/Personal Assistance Services

Provider Category:

Individual Agency

Provider Type:

DSN Board/contracted providers

Provider Qualifications

License (specify):

Certificate (specify):

Other Standard (specify):

DDSN Home Supports Caregiver Policy, Pre-service Training Requirements and Orientation (567-01-DD) which lists requirements to include the outline of minimum requirements for the curriculum for HASCI Waiver caregivers

Verification of Provider Qualifications

Entity Responsible for Verification:

Department of Disabilities and Special Needs/Medicaid Agency

Frequency of Verification:

Upon enrollment or service authorization

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C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Statutory Service

Service Name: Attendant Care/Personal Assistance Services

Provider Category:

Individual Agency

Provider Type:

Attendant care provider agencies

Provider Qualifications

License (specify):

Certificate (specify):

Other Standard (specify):

Contract scope of services

Verification of Provider Qualifications

Entity Responsible for Verification:

Medicaid agency

Frequency of Verification:

Annually/biannually

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Service Specification

State laws, regulations and policies referenced in the specification are readily available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

Service Type:

Statutory Service Extended State Plan Service Supports for Participant Direction Other Service

Service:

Case Management Homemaker Home Health Aide Personal Care Adult Day Health Habilitation Residential Habilitation Day Habilitation Prevocational Services Supported Employment Education Respite Day Treatment Partial Hospitalization Psychosocial Rehabilitation Clinic Services Live-in Caregiver (42 CFR §441.303(f)(8))

Alternate Service Title (if any):

Service Definition (Scope):

Day Habilitation is assistance with the acquisition, retention, or improvement in self-help, socialization, and adaptive skills which takes place in a non-residential setting, separate from the home or facility in which the participant resides. Services shall normally be provided four (4) or more hours per day on a regularly scheduled basis for one (1) or more days per week, unless provided as an adjunct to other day activities included in a participant's Support Plan. Day Habilitation services shall focus on enabling the participant to attain or maintain his or her maximum functional level and shall be coordinated with any physical, occupational, or speech therapies listed in the Support Plan. In addition, Day Habilitation services may reinforce skills taught in school, therapy or other settings.

Specify applicable (if any) limits on the amount, frequency, or duration of this service:

Service Delivery Method (*check each that applies*):

Participant-directed as specified in Appendix E

Provider managed

Specify whether the service may be provided by (check each that applies):

Legally Responsible Person

Relative

Legal Guardian

Provider Specifications:

| Provider Category | Provider Type Title |
|-------------------|--|
| Agency | Certified Rehabilitation Counselors certified by the Commission on Rehabilitation Counselor Certification (CRCC) |
| Agency | Rehabilitation programs certified by the Commission on the Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF) |
| Individual | Certified Rehabilitation Counselors certified by the Commission on Rehabilitation Counselor Certification (CRCC) |
| Agency | DSN Board/contracted providers |

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Statutory Service

Service Name: Day Habilitation

Provider Category:

Individual Agency

Provider Type:

Certified Rehabilitation Counselors certified by the Commission on Rehabilitation Counselor Certification (CRCC)

Provider Qualifications

License (specify):

Certificate (specify):

Certified by the Commission on Rehabilitation Counselor Certification (CRCC)

Other Standard (specify):

Contracted with Department of Disabilities and Special Needs

Verification of Provider Qualifications

Entity Responsible for Verification:

Department of Disabilities and Special Needs

Frequency of Verification:

Upon enrollment or service authorization

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Statutory Service

Service Name: Day Habilitation

Provider Category:

Individual Agency

Provider Type:

Rehabilitation programs certified by the Commission on the Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF)

Provider Qualifications

License (specify):

Certificate (specify):

Certified by the Commission on the Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF)

Other Standard (specify):

Contracted with Department of Disabilities and Special Needs

Verification of Provider Qualifications

Entity Responsible for Verification:

Contracted with Department of Disabilities and Special Needs

Frequency of Verification:

Upon enrollment or service authorization

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Statutory Service

Service Name: Day Habilitation

Provider Category:

Individual Agency

Provider Type:

Certified Rehabilitation Counselors certified by the Commission on Rehabilitation Counselor Certification (CRCC)

Provider Qualifications

License (specify):

Certificate (specify):

Certified by the Commission on Rehabilitation Counselor Certification (CRCC)

Other Standard (specify):

Contracted with Department of Disabilities and Special Needs

Verification of Provider Qualifications

Entity Responsible for Verification:

Department of Disabilities and Special Needs

Frequency of Verification:

Upon enrollment or service authorization

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Statutory Service

Service Name: Day Habilitation

Provider Category:

Individual Agency

Provider Type:

DSN Board/contracted providers

Provider Qualifications

License (specify):

Yes, Section 44-20-10 et. Seq., Section 44-21-10 et. Seq., 40-120-170 thru 44-10-100 (Supp. 1995), Reg. #61-103

Certificate (specify):

Other Standard (specify):

Contracted with Department of Disabilities and Special Needs

Verification of Provider Qualifications

Entity Responsible for Verification:

Contracted with Department of Disabilities and Special Needs

Frequency of Verification:

Upon enrollment or service authorization

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Service Specification

State laws, regulations and policies referenced in the specification are readily available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

Service Type:

Statutory Service Extended State Plan Service Supports for Participant Direction Other Service

Service:

Case Management Homemaker Home Health Aide Personal Care Adult Day Health Habilitation Residential Habilitation Day Habilitation Prevocational Services Supported Employment Education Respite Day Treatment Partial Hospitalization Psychosocial Rehabilitation Clinic Services Live-in Caregiver (42 CFR §441.303(f)(8))

Alternate Service Title (if any):

Service Definition (Scope):

Prevocational services not available under a program funded under section 110 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 or section 602(16) and (17) of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (20 U.S.C. 1401 (16 and 17)). Services are aimed at preparing an individual for paid or unpaid employment, but are not job-task oriented. Services include teaching such concepts as compliance, attendance, task completion, problem solving and safety. Prevocational services are provided to persons not expected to be able to join the general work force or participate in a transitional sheltered workshop within one year (excluding supported employment programs). When compensated, individuals are paid less than 50 percent of the minimum wage. Activities include in this service are not primarily directed at teaching specific job skills, but at underlying habilitative goals, such as attention span and motor skills. All prevocational services will be reflected in the individual's plan of service as directed to habilitative, rather than explicit employment objectives. Documentation will be maintained in the file of each individual receiving this service that: 1. The service is not otherwise available under a program funded under the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, or P.L. 94-142.

Specify applicable (if any) limits on the amount, frequency, or duration of this service:

Service Delivery Method (*check each that applies*):

Participant-directed as specified in Appendix E

Provider managed

Specify whether the service may be provided by (check each that applies):

Legally Responsible Person

Relative

Legal Guardian

Provider Specifications:

| Provider Category | Provider Type Title |
|-------------------|--|
| Agency | Rehabilitation programs certified by the Commission on the Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF) |
| Individual | Certified Rehabilitation Counselors certified by the Commission on Rehabilitation Counselor Certification (CRCC) |
| Agency | DSN Board/contracted providers |
| Agency | Certified Rehabilitation Counselors certified by the Commission on Rehabilitation Counselor Certification (CRCC) |

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Statutory Service

Service Name: Prevocational Services

Provider Category:

Individual Agency

Provider Type:

Rehabilitation programs certified by the Commission on the Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF)

Provider Qualifications

License (specify):

Certificate (specify):

Certified by the Commission on the Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF)

Other Standard (specify):

Contracted with Department of Disabilities and Special Needs

Verification of Provider Qualifications

Entity Responsible for Verification:

Department of Disabilities and Special Needs

Frequency of Verification:

Upon enrollment or service authorization

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Statutory Service

Service Name: Prevocational Services

Provider Category:

Individual Agency

Provider Type:

Certified Rehabilitation Counselors certified by the Commission on Rehabilitation Counselor Certification (CRCC)

Provider Qualifications

License (specify):

Certificate (specify):

Certified by the Commission on Rehabilitation Counselor Certification (CRCC)

Other Standard (specify):

Contracted with Department of Disabilities and Special Needs

Verification of Provider Qualifications

Entity Responsible for Verification:

Department of Disabilities and Special Needs

Frequency of Verification:

Upon enrollment or service authorization

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Statutory Service

Service Name: Prevocational Services

Provider Category:

Individual Agency

Provider Type:

DSN Board/contracted providers

Provider Qualifications

License (specify):

Yes, Section 44-20-10 et. Seq., Section 44-21-10 et. Seq., 40-120-170 thru 44-10-100 (Supp. 1995), Reg. #61-103

Certificate (specify):

Other Standard (specify):

Contracted with Department of Disabilities and Special Needs

Verification of Provider Qualifications

Entity Responsible for Verification:

Department of Disabilities and Special Needs

Frequency of Verification:

Upon enrollment or service authorization

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Statutory Service

Service Name: Prevocational Services

Provider Category:

Individual Agency

Provider Type:

Certified Rehabilitation Counselors certified by the Commission on Rehabilitation Counselor Certification (CRCC)

Provider Qualifications

License (specify):

Certificate (specify):

Certified by the Commission on Rehabilitation Counselor Certification (CRCC)

Other Standard (specify):

Contracted with Department of Disabilities and Special Needs

Verification of Provider Qualifications

Entity Responsible for Verification:

Department of Disabilities and Special Needs

Frequency of Verification:

Upon enrollment or service authorization

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Service Specification

State laws, regulations and policies referenced in the specification are readily available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

Service Type:

Statutory Service Extended State Plan Service Supports for Participant Direction Other Service

Service:

Case Management Homemaker Home Health Aide Personal Care Adult Day Health Habilitation Residential Habilitation Day Habilitation Prevocational Services Supported Employment Education Respite Day Treatment Partial Hospitalization Psychosocial Rehabilitation Clinic Services Live-in Caregiver (42 CFR §441.303(f)(8))

Alternate Service Title (if any):

Service Definition (Scope):

Residential Habilitation means personal care, assistance with activities of daily living, supervision, behavioral supports, and skills training provided in a licensed residential program or unlicensed setting. Individually tailored supports and training assist the participant to reside in the most integrated setting appropriate to his or her needs. Supports may include direct care, hands-on assistance, direction and/or cueing, supervision, and nursing to the extent permitted by State law. Training is focused on the acquisition, retention, or improvement in skills for living in the community with maximum independence. Supports may include social and leisure activities and community inclusion opportunities. Payment for Residential Habilitation does not include the cost of room and board or building maintenance, upkeep and improvement, other than such costs for modifications or adaptations required to assure the health and safety of residents, or to meet requirements of the applicable life safety code. Payment for Residential Habilitation will not be made, directly or indirectly, to members of the participant's immediate family. Payment will not be made for the routine care and supervision expected to be provided by a family or residential provider, or for activities or supervision for which a payment is made by a source other than Medicaid.

Specify applicable (if any) limits on the amount, frequency, or duration of this service:

Service Delivery Method (*check each that applies*):

Participant-directed as specified in Appendix E

Provider managed

Specify whether the service may be provided by (check each that applies):

Legally Responsible Person

Relative

Legal Guardian

Provider Specifications:

| Provider Category | Provider Type Title |
|-------------------|--|
| Agency | Rehabilitation programs certified by the Commission on the Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF) |
| Individual | Certified Rehabilitation Counselors certified by the Commission on Rehabilitation Counselor Certification (CRCC) |
| Agency | Certified Rehabilitation Counselors certified by the Commission on Rehabilitation Counselor Certification (CRCC) |
| Agency | DSN Board/contracted providers |

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C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Statutory Service

Service Name: Residential Habilitation

Provider Category:

Individual Agency

Provider Type:

Rehabilitation programs certified by the Commission on the Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF)

Provider Qualifications

License (specify):

Certificate (specify):

Certified by the Commission on the Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF)

Other Standard (specify):

Contracted with Department of Disabilities and Special Needs

Verification of Provider Qualifications

Entity Responsible for Verification:

Department of Disabilities and Special Needs

Frequency of Verification:

Upon enrollment or service authorization

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Statutory Service

Service Name: Residential Habilitation

Provider Category:

Individual Agency

Provider Type:

Certified Rehabilitation Counselors certified by the Commission on Rehabilitation Counselor Certification (CRCC)

Provider Qualifications

License (specify):

Certificate (specify):

Certified by the Commission on Rehabilitation Counselor Certification (CRCC).

Other Standard (specify):

Contracted with Department of Disabilities and Special Needs

Verification of Provider Qualifications

Entity Responsible for Verification:

Department of Disabilities and Special Needs

Frequency of Verification:

Upon enrollment or service authorization

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Statutory Service

Service Name: Residential Habilitation

Provider Category:

Individual Agency

Provider Type:

Certified Rehabilitation Counselors certified by the Commission on Rehabilitation Counselor Certification (CRCC)

Provider Qualifications

License (specify):

Certificate (specify):

Certified by the Commission on Rehabilitation Counselor Certification (CRCC)

Other Standard (specify):

Contracted with Department of Disabilities and Special Needs

Verification of Provider Qualifications

Entity Responsible for Verification:

Department of Disabilities and Special Needs

Frequency of Verification:

Upon enrollment or service authorization

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Statutory Service

Service Name: Residential Habilitation

Provider Category:

Individual Agency

Provider Type:

DSN Board/contracted providers

Provider Qualifications

License (specify):

Yes, Section 44-20-10 et. Seq., Section 44-21-10 et. Seq., 40-120-170 thru 44-10-100 (Supp. 1995), Reg. #61-103

Certificate (specify):

Other Standard (specify):

Contracted with Department of Disabilities and Special Needs

Verification of Provider Qualifications

Entity Responsible for Verification:

Department of Disabilities and Special Needs

Frequency of Verification:

Upon enrollment or service authorization

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Service Specification

State laws, regulations and policies referenced in the specification are readily available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

Service Type:

Statutory Service Extended State Plan Service Supports for Participant Direction Other Service

Service:

Case Management Homemaker Home Health Aide Personal Care Adult Day Health Habilitation Residential Habilitation Day Habilitation Prevocational Services Supported Employment Education Respite Day Treatment Partial Hospitalization Psychosocial Rehabilitation Clinic Services Live-in Caregiver (42 CFR §441.303(f)(8))

Alternate Service Title (if any):

Respite Care Services

Service Definition (Scope):

Care and supervision provided to those individuals unable to care for themselves. Services are provided due to the short-term absence or need of relief of those normally providing care. Respite is provided in a variety of settings. FFP will not be claimed for the cost of room and board except when provided as part Respite provided in a facility approved by the State that is not a private residence. Respite care on a hourly basis may be provided in the following non-institutional locations: (1.) Individual's home or other private residence selected by the participant/representative; (2.) Group home (DDSN licensed residence or DSS licensed foster care home) Non-institutional respite care on a daily basis is being eliminated with the amendment effective date. Respite care on a daily basis may be provided in the following institutional locations: (1.) Medicaid certified hospital; (2.) Medicaid certified nursing facility; (3.) Medicaid certified ICF/MR

Specify applicable (if any) limits on the amount, frequency, or duration of this service:

Service Delivery Method (*check each that applies*):

Participant-directed as specified in Appendix E

Provider managed

Specify whether the service may be provided by (check each that applies):

Legally Responsible Person

Relative

Legal Guardian

Provider Specifications:

| Provider Category | Provider Type Title |
|-------------------|---|
| Agency | DDSN/DSN Board/Contracted providers |
| Agency | Hospital |
| Agency | Licensed Community Residential Care Facility (CRCF) |
| Agency | Respite Provider Agencies |
| Agency | Medicaid Certified Nursing Facility |
| Agency | Medicaid certified ICF/MR |
| Agency | DSS Licensed Foster Home |

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C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Statutory Service

Service Name: Respite Care Services

Provider Category:

Individual Agency

Provider Type:

DDSN/DSN Board/Contracted providers

Provider Qualifications

License (specify):

SC Code Ann. §44-20-10 thru 44-20-5000 (Supp. 2008); §44-20-710 (Supp. 2008)

Certificate (specify):

Other Standard (specify):

DDSN Respite Care Standards policy, Pre-service Training Requirements and Orientation (567-01-DD) which lists requirements to include the outline of minimum requirements for the curriculum for HASCI Waiver caregivers.

Verification of Provider Qualifications

Entity Responsible for Verification:

DDSN/DHEC

Frequency of Verification:

Upon enrollment and annually; QIO Reviews are conducted on a 12-18 month cycle depending on past provider performance.

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C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Statutory Service

Service Name: Respite Care Services

Provider Category:

Individual Agency

Provider Type:

Hospital

Provider Qualifications

License (specify):

SC Code, Sec. 44-7-260 Reg. #61-16, Equivalent for NC & GA

Certificate (specify):

Other Standard (specify):

Verification of Provider Qualifications

Entity Responsible for Verification:

DHEC and DHHS

Frequency of Verification:

Upon Enrollment; Annually.

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C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Statutory Service
Service Name: Respite Care Services

Provider Category:

Individual Agency

Provider Type:

Licensed Community Residential Care Facility (CRCF)

Provider Qualifications

License (specify):

SC Code, Sec. 44-7-260 Reg. #61-84, Equivalent for NC & GA

Certificate (specify):

Other Standard (specify):

Verification of Provider Qualifications

Entity Responsible for Verification:

DHEC and DHHS

Frequency of Verification:

Upon contract; Annually

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Statutory Service
Service Name: Respite Care Services

Provider Category:

Individual Agency

Provider Type:

Respite Provider Agencies

Provider Qualifications

License (specify):

Certificate (specify):

Other Standard (specify):

MOA and Service Contract with DHHS

Verification of Provider Qualifications

Entity Responsible for Verification:

DHHS

Frequency of Verification:

Upon Contract; Annually

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Statutory Service

Service Name: Respite Care Services

Provider Category:

Individual Agency

Provider Type:

Medicaid Certified Nursing Facility

Provider Qualifications

License (specify):

SC Code Ann. §44-7-250 thru 44-7-260 Reg. 61-17, Equivalent for NC & GA

Certificate (specify):

Other Standard (specify):

Contracted with DHHS for Institutional Respite

Verification of Provider Qualifications

Entity Responsible for Verification:

DHEC and DHHS

Frequency of Verification:

Upon Contract; Annually

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Statutory Service

Service Name: Respite Care Services

Provider Category:

Individual Agency

Provider Type:

Medicaid certified ICF/MR

Provider Qualifications

License (specify):

SC Code Ann. §44-7-250 thru 44-7-260 Reg. #61-13

Certificate (specify):

Other Standard (specify):

Contracted with DDSN/Respite care standards policy, Pre-service Training Requirements and Orientation (567-01-DD) which lists requirements to include the outline of minimum requirements for the curriculum for HASCI Waiver caregivers

Verification of Provider Qualifications

Entity Responsible for Verification:

DDSN; DHEC

Frequency of Verification:

Upon Enrollment; Annually

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C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Statutory Service
Service Name: Respite Care Services

Provider Category:

Individual Agency

Provider Type:

DSS Licensed Foster Home

Provider Qualifications

License (specify):

SC Code Ann. §63-11-10 thru 63-11-790 (Supp 2008)

Certificate (specify):

Other Standard (specify):

Verification of Provider Qualifications

Entity Responsible for Verification:

SC Department of Social Services (DSS)

Frequency of Verification:

Prior to the provision of services; Annually

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Service Specification

State laws, regulations and policies referenced in the specification are readily available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

Service Type:

Statutory Service Extended State Plan Service Supports for Participant Direction Other Service

Service:

Case Management Homemaker Home Health Aide Personal Care Adult Day Health Habilitation Residential Habilitation Day Habilitation Prevocational Services Supported Employment Education Respite Day Treatment Partial Hospitalization Psychosocial Rehabilitation Clinic Services Live-in Caregiver (42 CFR §441.303(f)(8))

Alternate Service Title (if any):

Supported Employment Services

Service Definition (Scope):

Supported Employment services, which consist of paid employment for persons for whom competitive employment at or above the minimum wage is unlikely, and who, because of their disabilities, need intensive ongoing support to perform in a work setting. Supported Employment is conducted in a variety of settings, particularly work sites in which persons without disabilities are employed. Supported Employment includes activities needed to sustain paid work by individuals receiving Waiver services, including supervision and training. When Supported Employment services are provided at the work site in which persons without disabilities are employed, payment will be made only for the adaptations, supervision and training required by individuals receiving waiver services as a result of their disabilities, and will not include payment for the supervisory activities rendered as a normal part of the business setting. Supported Employment services furnished under the Waiver are not available under a program funded by the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 or P.L. 94-142. Documentation will be maintained in the file of each individual receiving this service that: 1. The service is not otherwise available under a program funded under the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, or P.L. 94-142. Federal financial participation is not claimed for incentive payments, subsidies, or unrelated vocational training expenses such as the following: 1. Incentive payments made to an employer to encourage or subsidize the employer's participation in a supported employment program; 2. Payments that are passed through to users of supported employment programs; or 3. Payments

for vocational training that is not directly related to an individual's supported employment program. Transportation may be provided between the participant's residence and the site of habilitation services, or between habilitation sites (in cases where the individual receives habilitation services in more than one place) as a component part of habilitation services. The cost of this transportation is included in the rate paid to providers of the appropriate type of habilitation services.

Specify applicable (if any) limits on the amount, frequency, or duration of this service:

Service Delivery Method *(check each that applies):*

Participant-directed as specified in Appendix E

Provider managed

Specify whether the service may be provided by (check each that applies):

Legally Responsible Person

Relative

Legal Guardian

Provider Specifications:

| Provider Category | Provider Type Title |
|-------------------|------------------------------|
| Agency | Employment Services Provider |

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C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Statutory Service

Service Name: Supported Employment Services

Provider Category:

Individual Agency

Provider Type:

Employment Services Provider

Provider Qualifications

License (specify):

Certificate (specify):

Other Standard (specify):

DDSN Employment Services Standards

Verification of Provider Qualifications

Entity Responsible for Verification:

DDSN

Frequency of Verification:

Initially; Annually; QIO Reviews are conducted on a 12-18 month cycle depending on past provider performance.

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C-1/C-3: Service Specification

State laws, regulations and policies referenced in the specification are readily available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid

agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

Service Type:

Statutory Service Extended State Plan Service Supports for Participant Direction Other Service

Service Title:

Occupational Therapy

Service Definition (Scope):

Services that are provided when occupational therapy services are exhausted under the approved State plan limits. The scope and nature of these services do not differ from occupational therapy furnished under the State plan. The provider qualifications specified in the State plan apply.

Specify applicable (if any) limits on the amount, frequency, or duration of this service:

Service Delivery Method (*check each that applies*):

Participant-directed as specified in Appendix E

Provider managed

Specify whether the service may be provided by (check each that applies):

Legally Responsible Person

Relative

Legal Guardian

Provider Specifications:

| Provider Category | Provider Type Title |
|-------------------|-----------------------------|
| Agency | Occupational Therapy Groups |
| Individual | Occupational Therapists |

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Extended State Plan Service

Service Name: Occupational Therapy

Provider Category:

Individual Agency

Provider Type:

Occupational Therapy Groups

Provider Qualifications

License (specify):

Chapter 36 section 40-35-5 et. Seq. SC code of laws. Equivalent NC and GA.

Certificate (specify):

Other Standard (specify):

Verification of Provider Qualifications

Entity Responsible for Verification:

Labor, Licensing and Regulation; Medicaid Agency

Frequency of Verification:

Upon Enrollment

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Extended State Plan Service

Service Name: Occupational Therapy

Provider Category:

Individual Agency

Provider Type:

Occupational Therapists

Provider Qualifications

License (specify):

Chapter 36 section 40-35-5 et. Seq. SC code of laws. Equivalent NC and GA.

Certificate (specify):

Other Standard (specify):

Verification of Provider Qualifications

Entity Responsible for Verification:

Labor, Licensing and Regulation; Medicaid agency

Frequency of Verification:

Upon Enrollment

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Service Specification

State laws, regulations and policies referenced in the specification are readily available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

Service Type:

Statutory Service Extended State Plan Service Supports for Participant Direction Other Service

Service Title:

Physical Therapy

Service Definition (Scope):

Services that are provided when physical therapy services are exhausted under the approved State plan limits. The scope and nature of these services do not differ from physical therapy furnished under the State plan. The provider qualifications specified in the State plan apply.

Specify applicable (if any) limits on the amount, frequency, or duration of this service:

Service Delivery Method (*check each that applies*):

Participant-directed as specified in Appendix E

Provider managed

Specify whether the service may be provided by (check each that applies):

Legally Responsible Person

Relative

Legal Guardian

Provider Specifications:

| Provider Category | Provider Type Title |
|-------------------|-------------------------|
| Individual | Physical Therapists |
| Agency | Physical Therapy Groups |

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Extended State Plan Service

Service Name: Physical Therapy

Provider Category:

Individual Agency

Provider Type:

Physical Therapists

Provider Qualifications

License (specify):

Chapter 45 section 40-45-5 et. Seq. SC code of laws. Equivalent NC and GA.

Certificate (specify):

Other Standard (specify):

Verification of Provider Qualifications

Entity Responsible for Verification:

Labor, Licensing and Regulation; Medicaid Agency

Frequency of Verification:

Upon Enrollment

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Extended State Plan Service

Service Name: Physical Therapy

Provider Category:

Individual Agency

Provider Type:

Physical Therapy Groups

Provider Qualifications

License (specify):

Chapter 45 section 40-45-5 et. Seq. SC code of laws. Equivalent NC and GA.

Certificate (specify):

Other Standard (specify):

Verification of Provider Qualifications

Entity Responsible for Verification:

Labor, Licensing and Regulation; Medicaid Agency

Frequency of Verification:

Upon Enrollment

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Service Specification

State laws, regulations and policies referenced in the specification are readily available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

Service Type:

Statutory Service Extended State Plan Service Supports for Participant Direction Other Service

Service Title:

Prescribed Drugs, except drugs furnished to participants under Medicare Part D benefits.

Service Definition (Scope):

Services that are provided when the limits of prescribed drugs under the approved State plan are exhausted. The scope and nature of these services do not otherwise differ from prescribed drug services furnished under the State plan. The provider qualifications specified in the State plan apply. An additional three (3) prescribed drugs over the State plan limit will be allowed under this waiver for individuals who are eligible.

Specify applicable (if any) limits on the amount, frequency, or duration of this service:

Three additional prescription drugs above the state plan limit.

Service Delivery Method (*check each that applies*):

Participant-directed as specified in Appendix E

Provider managed

Specify whether the service may be provided by (check each that applies):

Legally Responsible Person

Relative

Legal Guardian
Provider Specifications:

| Provider Category | Provider Type Title |
|--------------------------|----------------------------|
| Agency | Pharmacy Providers |
| Individual | Pharmacists |

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Extended State Plan Service
Service Name: Prescribed Drugs, except drugs furnished to participants under Medicare Part D benefits.

Provider Category:
Individual Agency
Provider Type:
Pharmacy Providers
Provider Qualifications
License (specify):
Pharmacy permit chapter 43 section 40-43-10 et.seq. SC code of laws. Equivalent in NC and GA
Certificate (specify):
Other Standard (specify):
Verification of Provider Qualifications
Entity Responsible for Verification:
Labor, Licensing and Regulation; Medicaid Agency
Frequency of Verification:
Upon Enrollment

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Extended State Plan Service

Service Name: Prescribed Drugs, except drugs furnished to participants under Medicare Part D benefits.

Provider Category:

Individual Agency

Provider Type:

Pharmacists

Provider Qualifications

License (specify):

Pharmacy permit chapter 43 section 40-43-10 et.seq. SC code of laws. Equivalent in NC and GA

Certificate (specify):

Other Standard (specify):

Verification of Provider Qualifications

Entity Responsible for Verification:

Labor, Licensing and Regulation; Medicaid Agency

Frequency of Verification:

Upon Enrollment

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Service Specification

State laws, regulations and policies referenced in the specification are readily available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

Service Type:

Statutory Service Extended State Plan Service Supports for Participant Direction Other Service

Service Title:

Speech, hearing and language services

Service Definition (Scope):

Services that are provided when speech, hearing and language services are exhausted under the approved State plan limits. The scope and nature of these services do not differ from speech, hearing and language services furnished under the State plan. The provider qualifications specified in the State plan apply.

Specify applicable (if any) limits on the amount, frequency, or duration of this service:

Service Delivery Method (*check each that applies*):

Participant-directed as specified in Appendix E

Provider managed

Specify whether the service may be provided by (check each that applies):

Legally Responsible Person

Relative

Legal Guardian

Provider Specifications:

| Provider Category | Provider Type Title |
|--------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Agency | Speech Pathology Groups |
| Individual | Speech Pathologists |
| Agency | Audiology Groups |
| Agency | Speech Therapy Group |
| Individual | Speech Therapists |
| Individual | Audiologists |

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Extended State Plan Service
Service Name: Speech, hearing and language services

Provider Category:

Individual Agency

Provider Type:

Speech Pathology Groups

Provider Qualifications**License** (specify):

Chapter 67 section 40-67-10 & 40-67-60 et. Seq. SC code of laws.

Equivalent NC and GA

Certificate (specify):**Other Standard** (specify):**Verification of Provider Qualifications****Entity Responsible for Verification:**

Labor, Licensing, and Regulation; Medicaid agency

Frequency of Verification:

Upon Enrollment

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Extended State Plan Service
Service Name: Speech, hearing and language services

Provider Category:
Individual Agency
Provider Type:
Speech Pathologists
Provider Qualifications
License (specify):
Chapter 67 section 40-67-10 & 40-67-60 et. Seq. SC code of laws.
Equivalent NC and GA
Certificate (specify):
Other Standard (specify):
Verification of Provider Qualifications
Entity Responsible for Verification:
Labor, Licensing and Regulation; Medicaid agency
Frequency of Verification:
Upon Enrollment

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Extended State Plan Service
Service Name: Speech, hearing and language services

Provider Category:
Individual Agency
Provider Type:
Audiology Groups
Provider Qualifications
License (specify):
Chapter 67 section 40-67-10 & 40-67-60 et. Seq. SC code of laws.
Equivalent NC and GA.
Certificate (specify):
Other Standard (specify):
Verification of Provider Qualifications
Entity Responsible for Verification:
Labor, Licensing, and Regulation; Medicaid agency
Frequency of Verification:
Upon Enrollment

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

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| Service Type: Extended State Plan Service |
| Service Name: Speech, hearing and language services |
| Provider Category: Individual Agency |
| Provider Type: Speech Therapy Group |
| Provider Qualifications |
| License (specify): Chapter 67 section 40-67-10 & 40-67-60 et. Seq. SC code of laws. Equivalent NC and GA |
| Certificate (specify): |
| Other Standard (specify): |
| Verification of Provider Qualifications |
| Entity Responsible for Verification: Labor, Licensing, and Regulation; Medicaid agency |
| Frequency of Verification: Upon enrollment |

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

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|---|
| Service Type: Extended State Plan Service |
| Service Name: Speech, hearing and language services |
| Provider Category: Individual Agency |
| Provider Type: Speech Therapists |
| Provider Qualifications |
| License (specify): Chapter 67 section 40-67-10 & 40-67-60 et. Seq. SC code of laws. Equivalent NC and GA |
| Certificate (specify): |
| Other Standard (specify): |
| Verification of Provider Qualifications |
| Entity Responsible for Verification: Labor, Licensing and Regulation; Medicaid agency |
| Frequency of Verification: Upon Enrollment |

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Extended State Plan Service

Service Name: Speech, hearing and language services

Provider Category:

Individual Agency

Provider Type:

Audiologists

Provider Qualifications

License (specify):

Chapter 67 section 40-67-10 & 40-67-60 et. Seq. SC code of laws.

Equivalent NC and GA.

Certificate (specify):

Other Standard (specify):

Verification of Provider Qualifications

Entity Responsible for Verification:

Labor, Licensing and Regulation; Medicaid Agency

Frequency of Verification:

Upon Enrollment

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Service Specification

State laws, regulations and policies referenced in the specification are readily available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

Service Type:

Statutory Service Extended State Plan Service Supports for Participant Direction Other Service

As provided in 42 CFR §440.180(b)(9), the State requests the authority to provide the following additional service not specified in statute.

Service Title:

Behavioral Support Services

Service Definition (Scope):

Behavioral support services address problem behaviors of an individual by using validated practices to identify causes and appropriate interventions that prevent or reduce occurrence. Behavioral support services include functional behavior assessments and analyses; development of behavioral support plans; implementing interventions designated in behavioral support plans; training key persons to implement interventions designated in behavioral support plans; monitoring effectiveness of behavioral support plans and modifying as necessary; and educating family, friends, or service providers concerning strategies and techniques to assist the participant in controlling/modifying inappropriate behaviors.

Specify applicable (if any) limits on the amount, frequency, or duration of this service:

Service Delivery Method (*check each that applies*):

Participant-directed as specified in Appendix E

Provider managed

Specify whether the service may be provided by (check each that applies):

Legally Responsible Person

Relative

Legal Guardian

Provider Specifications:

| Provider Category | Provider Type Title |
|-------------------|---------------------------|
| Individual | Behavior Support Provider |

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Other Service

Service Name: Behavioral Support Services

Provider Category:

Individual Agency

Provider Type:

Behavior Support Provider

Provider Qualifications

License (specify):

Certificate (specify):

Other Standard (specify):

DDSN standards and qualifications

Verification of Provider Qualifications

Entity Responsible for Verification:

Verified and approved by DDSN; Enrolled by DHHS

Frequency of Verification:

Upon enrollment; verification of continuing education every two years.

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Service Specification

State laws, regulations and policies referenced in the specification are readily available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

Service Type:

Statutory Service Extended State Plan Service Supports for Participant Direction Other Service

As provided in 42 CFR §440.180(b)(9), the State requests the authority to provide the following additional service not specified in statute.

Service Title:

Environmental Modifications

Service Definition (Scope):

Those physical adaptations to the home, required by the individual's Support Plan, which are necessary to ensure the health, welfare and safety of the individual, or which enable the individual to function with greater independence in the home. The home must be a privately owned residence occupied by the participant. Modifications to publicly funded group homes or community

residential facilities are not permitted. Such adaptations may include the installation of ramps and grab-bars, widening of doorways and automatic door systems, modification of bathroom or kitchen facilities, or installation of specialized electric and plumbing systems which are necessary to accommodate the medical equipment and supplies which are necessary for the welfare of the individual, floor covering to facilitate wheelchair access, fencing necessary for a participant's safety. Environmental modifications may also include consultation and assessments to determine the specific needs and follow-up inspections upon completion of the project. Excluded are those adaptations or improvements to the home which are of general utility, and are not of direct medical or remedial benefit to the individual, such as carpeting, roof repair, central air conditioning, etc. Environmental modifications will not be approved solely for the needs or convenience of other occupants of the home or care providers.

Modifications that add to the total square footage of the home are available only when this modification proves to be the most cost effective solution. All services shall be provided in accordance with applicable state and local building codes and shall be subject to the state procurement act.

Specify applicable (if any) limits on the amount, frequency, or duration of this service:

Environmental Modifications are subject to the guidelines established by DDSN and must be within a limit of \$20,000 dollars per request.

Service Delivery Method (*check each that applies*):

Participant-directed as specified in Appendix E

Provider managed

Specify whether the service may be provided by (check each that applies):

Legally Responsible Person

Relative

Legal Guardian

Provider Specifications:

| Provider Category | Provider Type Title |
|-------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Individual | Licensed Contractors |
| Agency | DDSN/DSN Boards/contracted providers |

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Other Service

Service Name: Environmental Modifications

Provider Category:

Individual Agency

Provider Type:

Licensed Contractors

Provider Qualifications

License (specify):

Certificate (specify):

Other Standard (specify):

Enrolled with DHHS

Verification of Provider Qualifications

Entity Responsible for Verification:

DHHS

Frequency of Verification:

Upon enrollment

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Other Service

Service Name: Environmental Modifications

Provider Category:

Individual Agency

Provider Type:

DDSN/DSN Boards/contracted providers

Provider Qualifications

License (specify):

Certificate (specify):

Other Standard (specify):

DDSN contract

Verification of Provider Qualifications

Entity Responsible for Verification:

DDSN

Frequency of Verification:

Annually

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Service Specification

State laws, regulations and policies referenced in the specification are readily available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

Service Type:

Statutory Service Extended State Plan Service Supports for Participant Direction Other Service

As provided in 42 CFR §440.180(b)(9), the State requests the authority to provide the following additional service not specified in statute.

Service Title:

Health Education for Consumer-Directed Care

Service Definition (Scope):

Health Education for Consumer Directed Care prepares and assists capable individuals who desire to manage their own personal care or family members who desire to manage the personal care of an individual not capable of self-management. It is instruction provided by a licensed registered nurse regarding the nature of their specific medical condition and the promotion of good health, and prevention/monitoring of secondary medical conditions. The nurse will utilize the “Key to Independence Manual” from the Shepherd Center in Atlanta, Georgia or a curriculum approved by DDSN as a guide in providing education on bladder and bowel care, skin care, respiratory care, sexuality, substance abuse issues, and monitoring of health status.

Specify applicable (if any) limits on the amount, frequency, or duration of this service:

Service Delivery Method (*check each that applies*):

Participant-directed as specified in Appendix E

Provider managed

Specify whether the service may be provided by (check each that applies):

Legally Responsible Person

Relative

Legal Guardian

Provider Specifications:

| Provider Category | Provider Type Title |
|--------------------------|---|
| Agency | Nursing Agencies |
| Agency | DSN Board/contracted providers |
| Individual | Registered Nurses |
| Agency | Rehabilitation programs certified by the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF) that employ/contract with registered nurses |

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Other Service

Service Name: Health Education for Consumer-Directed Care

Provider Category:

Individual Agency

Provider Type:

Nursing Agencies

Provider Qualifications

License (specify):

Yes, Section 44-20-10 et. Seq., Section 44-21-10 et. Seq., 40-120-170 thru 44-10-100 (Supp. 1995), Reg. #61-103

Certificate (specify):

Other Standard (specify):

Contract Scope of Service

Verification of Provider Qualifications

Entity Responsible for Verification:

Medicaid agency

Frequency of Verification:

Annually/biannually

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Other Service
Service Name: Health Education for Consumer-Directed Care

Provider Category:
Individual Agency
Provider Type:
DSN Board/contracted providers
Provider Qualifications
License (specify):
Yes, Section 44-20-10 et. Seq., Section 44-21-10 et. Seq., 40-120-170 thru 44-10-100 (Supp. 1995), Reg. #61-103
Certificate (specify):
Other Standard (specify):
Contracted with Department of Disabilities and Special Needs
Verification of Provider Qualifications
Entity Responsible for Verification:
Department of Disabilities and Special Needs
Frequency of Verification:
Upon enrollment or service authorization

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Other Service
Service Name: Health Education for Consumer-Directed Care

Provider Category:
Individual Agency
Provider Type:
Registered Nurses
Provider Qualifications
License (specify):
Yes, Section 44-20-10 et. Seq., Section 44-21-10 et. Seq., 40-120-170 thru 44-10-100 (Supp. 1995), Reg. #61-103
Certificate (specify):
Other Standard (specify):
Contract scope of services
Verification of Provider Qualifications
Entity Responsible for Verification:
Medicaid agency
Frequency of Verification:
Annually/biannually

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Other Service

Service Name: Health Education for Consumer-Directed Care

Provider Category:

Individual Agency

Provider Type:

Rehabilitation programs certified by the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF) that employ/contract with registered nurses

Provider Qualifications

License (specify):

Yes, Section 44-20-10 et. Seq., Section 44-21-10 et. Seq., 40-120-170 thru 44-10-100 (Supp. 1995), Reg. #61-103

Certificate (specify):

Certified by the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF) that employ/contract with registered nurses

Other Standard (specify):

Verification of Provider Qualifications

Entity Responsible for Verification:

Department of Disabilities and Special Needs/Medicaid Agency

Frequency of Verification:

Upon enrollment or service authorization

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Service Specification

State laws, regulations and policies referenced in the specification are readily available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

Service Type:

Statutory Service Extended State Plan Service Supports for Participant Direction Other Service

As provided in 42 CFR §440.180(b)(9), the State requests the authority to provide the following additional service not specified in statute.

Service Title:

Medicaid Waiver Nursing

Service Definition (Scope):

Services specified in the plan of service which are within the scope of the State's Nurse Practice Act and are provided by a registered professional nurse, or licensed practical nurse.

Specify applicable (if any) limits on the amount, frequency, or duration of this service:

Medicaid Waiver Nursing is limited to either 60 hours per week of LPN or 45 hours per week of RN. If a combination of LPN and RN is used, the combined hours per week cannot exceed the equivalent cost of either 60 hours per week of LPN or 45 hours per week of RN. If HASCI Waiver Nursing is combined with Attendant Care/Personal Assistance Services, the combined services, whether routine or short term, shall not exceed 10 hours per day.

Service Delivery Method *(check each that applies):*

Participant-directed as specified in Appendix E
Provider managed

Specify whether the service may be provided by (check each that applies):

Legally Responsible Person

Relative

Legal Guardian

Provider Specifications:

| Provider Category | Provider Type Title |
|--------------------------|----------------------------|
| Agency | Nursing Agencies |
| Individual | Registered Nurses |

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Other Service

Service Name: Medicaid Waiver Nursing

Provider Category:

Individual Agency

Provider Type:

Nursing Agencies

Provider Qualifications

License (specify):

Yes, Code of laws 40-33-10 et seq

Certificate (specify):

Other Standard (specify):

Contract Scope of services

Verification of Provider Qualifications

Entity Responsible for Verification:

Medicaid Agency

Frequency of Verification:

Upon Enrollment Annually/Biannually

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Other Service

Service Name: Medicaid Waiver Nursing

Provider Category:

Individual Agency

Provider Type:

Registered Nurses

Provider Qualifications

License (specify):

Yes, Code of laws 40-33-10 et seq

Certificate (specify):

Other Standard (specify):

Contract Scope of services

Verification of Provider Qualifications

Entity Responsible for Verification:

Medicaid Agency

Frequency of Verification:

Upon Enrollment Annually/Biannually

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Service Specification

State laws, regulations and policies referenced in the specification are readily available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

Service Type:

Statutory Service Extended State Plan Service Supports for Participant Direction Other Service

As provided in 42 CFR §440.180(b)(9), the State requests the authority to provide the following additional service not specified in statute.

Service Title:

Medical Supplies, Equipment and Assistive Technology

Service Definition (Scope):

Specialized medical supplies and equipment to include devices, controls, or appliances specified in the participant's Support Plan which enable increased ability to perform activities of daily living, or to perceive, control, or communicate with the environment. This service also includes items necessary for life support, ancillary supplies and equipment necessary to the proper functioning of such items, and durable and non-durable medical equipment not available under the Medicaid state plan. Items reimbursed with waiver funds shall be in addition to any medical equipment and supplies furnished under the state plan or which are not available under the state plan and shall exclude those items which are not of direct medical or remedial benefit to the individual. All items shall meet applicable standards of manufacturer, design and installation. Cost of items may include consultation and assessments to determine the specific needs, follow-up inspection after items are received, training in use of equipment/assistive technology, repairs not covered by warranty, and replacement of parts or equipment.

Specify applicable (if any) limits on the amount, frequency, or duration of this service:

Service Delivery Method *(check each that applies):*

Participant-directed as specified in Appendix E
Provider managed

Specify whether the service may be provided by (check each that applies):

Legally Responsible Person

Relative

Legal Guardian

Provider Specifications:

| Provider Category | Provider Type Title |
|--------------------------|--|
| Agency | DDSN/DSN Board/contracted providers |
| Agency | Durable Medical Equipment providers |
| Agency | Single Vendor for Incontinence Supplies |

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Other Service

Service Name: Medical Supplies, Equipment and Assistive Technology

Provider Category:

Individual Agency

Provider Type:

DDSN/DSN Board/contracted providers

Provider Qualifications

License (specify):

Certificate (specify):

Other Standard (specify):

DDSN contract

Verification of Provider Qualifications

Entity Responsible for Verification:

DDSN

Frequency of Verification:

Annually

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Other Service
Service Name: Medical Supplies, Equipment and Assistive Technology

Provider Category:

Individual Agency

Provider Type:

Durable Medical Equipment providers

Provider Qualifications

License (specify):

SC Code Ann. §33-1-200 et. Seq. thru 33-1-420 (Supp. 2007)

Certificate (specify):

Other Standard (specify):

Verification of Provider Qualifications

Entity Responsible for Verification:

DHHS

Frequency of Verification:

Upon Enrollment

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Other Service
Service Name: Medical Supplies, Equipment and Assistive Technology

Provider Category:

Individual Agency

Provider Type:

Single Vendor for Incontinence Supplies

Provider Qualifications

License (specify):

Business License with the State of South Carolina

Certificate (specify):

Other Standard (specify):

Lowest responsible and responsive vendor selected via the State's Invitation for Bid (IFB) process for all allowed incontinence supplies for home and community-based waivers; Contracted with SCDHHS.

Verification of Provider Qualifications

Entity Responsible for Verification:

SCDHHS

Frequency of Verification:

Annually

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Service Specification

State laws, regulations and policies referenced in the specification are readily available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

Service Type:

Statutory Service Extended State Plan Service Supports for Participant Direction Other Service

As provided in 42 CFR §440.180(b)(9), the State requests the authority to provide the following additional service not specified in statute.

Service Title:

Peer Guidance for Consumer-Directed Care

Service Definition (Scope):

Peer Guidance for Consumer Directed Care prepares and assists capable individuals who desire to manage their own personal care. It is information, advice, and encouragement provided by a trained Peer Mentor to help a person with spinal cord injury/severe physical disability in recruiting, training, and supervising primary and back-up attendant care providers. The Peer Mentor is a person with a spinal cord injury/severe physical disability who successfully lives in the community with a high degree of independence and who directs his/her personal care. The Peer Mentor serves as a role model and shares information and advice from his/her own experiences. The Peer Mentor will use the "Peer Support Curriculum" from the Shepherd Center in Atlanta, Georgia or other curriculum approved by DDSN.

Specify applicable (if any) limits on the amount, frequency, or duration of this service:

Service Delivery Method (*check each that applies*):

Participant-directed as specified in Appendix E

Provider managed

Specify whether the service may be provided by (check each that applies):

Legally Responsible Person

Relative

Legal Guardian

Provider Specifications:

| Provider Category | Provider Type Title |
|-------------------|--|
| Agency | DSN Board/contracted providers |
| Individual | Certified Rehabilitation Counselors certified by the Commission on Rehabilitation Counselor Certification (CRCC) |
| Agency | Rehabilitation programs certified by the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF) |
| Agency | Certified Rehabilitation Counselors certified by the Commission on Rehabilitation Counselor Certification (CRCC) |

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C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Other Service

Service Name: Peer Guidance for Consumer-Directed Care

Provider Category:

Individual Agency

Provider Type:

DSN Board/contracted providers

Provider Qualifications

License (specify):

Yes, Section 44-20-10 et. Seq., Section 44-21-10 et. Seq., 40-120-170 thru 44-10-100 (Supp. 1995), Reg. #61-103

Certificate (specify):

Other Standard (specify):

Contracted with Department of Disabilities and Special Needs

Verification of Provider Qualifications

Entity Responsible for Verification:

Department of Disabilities and Special Needs

Frequency of Verification:

Upon enrollment or service authorization

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C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Other Service

Service Name: Peer Guidance for Consumer-Directed Care

Provider Category:

Individual Agency

Provider Type:

Certified Rehabilitation Counselors certified by the Commission on Rehabilitation Counselor Certification (CRCC)

Provider Qualifications

License (specify):

Certificate (specify):

Certified by the Commission on Rehabilitation Counselor Certification (CRCC)

Other Standard (specify):

Scope of Service verified by DDSN and approved by DHHS

Verification of Provider Qualifications

Entity Responsible for Verification:

Department of Disabilities and Special Needs/Medicaid agency

Frequency of Verification:

Upon enrollment or service authorization and/or Medicaid enrollment

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Other Service

Service Name: Peer Guidance for Consumer-Directed Care

Provider Category:

Individual Agency

Provider Type:

Rehabilitation programs certified by the Commission on

Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF)

Provider Qualifications

License (specify):

Certificate (specify):

Certified by the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation
Facilities (CARF)

Other Standard (specify):

Scope of Service verified by DDSN and approved by DHHS

Verification of Provider Qualifications

Entity Responsible for Verification:

Department of Disabilities and Special Needs/ Medicaid agency

Frequency of Verification:

Upon enrollment or service authorization and/or Medicaid
enrollment

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Other Service

Service Name: Peer Guidance for Consumer-Directed Care

Provider Category:

Individual Agency

Provider Type:

Certified Rehabilitation Counselors certified by the Commission on
Rehabilitation Counselor Certification (CRCC)

Provider Qualifications

License (specify):

Certificate (specify):

Certified by the Commission on Rehabilitation Counselor
Certification (CRCC)

Other Standard (specify):

Scope of Service verified by DDSN and approved by DHHS

Verification of Provider Qualifications

Entity Responsible for Verification:

Department of Disabilities and Special Needs/Medicaid agency

Frequency of Verification:

Upon enrollment or service authorization and/or Medicaid
enrollment

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C-1/C-3: Service Specification

State laws, regulations and policies referenced in the specification are readily available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

Service Type:

Statutory Service Extended State Plan Service Supports for Participant Direction Other Service

As provided in 42 CFR §440.180(b)(9), the State requests the authority to provide the following additional service not specified in statute.

Service Title:

Personal Emergency Response Systems

Service Definition (Scope):

PERS is an electronic device which enables individuals at high risk of institutionalization to secure help in an emergency. The participant may wear a portable “help” button to allow for mobility. The system is connected to the person’s phone and programmed to signal a response center once a “help” button is activated. The response center is staffed by trained professionals. PERS services are limited to those individuals who live alone, or who are alone for any part of the day or night, and who would otherwise require extensive routine supervision.

Specify applicable (if any) limits on the amount, frequency, or duration of this service:

Service Delivery Method (*check each that applies*):

Participant-directed as specified in Appendix E

Provider managed

Specify whether the service may be provided by (check each that applies):

Legally Responsible Person

Relative

Legal Guardian

Provider Specifications:

| Provider Category | Provider Type Title |
|-------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Agency | Personal Emergency Response providers |
| Agency | DSN Boards/contracted providers |

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Other Service

Service Name: Personal Emergency Response Systems

Provider Category:

Individual Agency

Provider Type:

Personal Emergency Response providers

Provider Qualifications

License (specify):

Certificate (specify):

Other Standard (specify):

1. FCC Part 68 2. UL (Underwriters Laboratories) approved as a “health care signaling product.” 3. The product is registered with the FDA as a medical device under the classification “powered environments control signaling product.”

Verification of Provider Qualifications

Entity Responsible for Verification:

Medicaid Agency

Frequency of Verification:

Upon enrollment or service authorization

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Other Service

Service Name: Personal Emergency Response Systems

Provider Category:

Individual Agency

Provider Type:

DSN Boards/contracted providers

Provider Qualifications

License (specify):

Certificate (specify):

Other Standard (specify):

1. FCC Part 68 2. UL (Underwriters Laboratories) approved as a “health care signaling product.” 3. The product is registered with the FDA as a medical device under the classification “powered environments control signaling product.”

Verification of Provider Qualifications

Entity Responsible for Verification:

Department of Disabilities and Special Needs

Frequency of Verification:

Upon enrollment or service authorization

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Service Specification

State laws, regulations and policies referenced in the specification are readily available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

Service Type:

Statutory Service Extended State Plan Service Supports for Participant Direction Other Service

As provided in 42 CFR §440.180(b)(9), the State requests the authority to provide the following additional service not specified in statute.

Service Title:

Private Vehicle Modifications

Service Definition (Scope):

Modifications to a privately owned vehicle to be driven by or routinely used to transport the participant. May include any equipment necessary to make the vehicle accessible to the participant. Modifications of a vehicle owned by a publicly funded agency are not permitted. Private vehicle modifications include consultation and assessment to determine the specific modifications/equipment needed, follow-up inspection after modifications are completed, training in use of equipment, repairs not covered by warranty, and replacement of parts or equipment. The approval process for private vehicle modifications is initiated based upon the needs specified in the participant's Support Plan and following confirmation of the availability of a privately owned vehicle to be driven by or routinely used to transport the participant. The approval process is the same for any private vehicle modification, regardless of ownership. Each request must receive prior approval following programmatic and fiscal review and shall be subject to the state procurement act. Programmatic approval alone may be given for emergency repair of equipment to ensure safety of the participant.

Specify applicable (if any) limits on the amount, frequency, or duration of this service:

Private Vehicle Modifications are subject to the guidelines established by DDSN and must be within the limit of \$30,000 per request.

Service Delivery Method (*check each that applies*):

Participant-directed as specified in Appendix E

Provider managed

Specify whether the service may be provided by (check each that applies):

Legally Responsible Person

Relative

Legal Guardian

Provider Specifications:

| Provider Category | Provider Type Title |
|-------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Agency | DME providers |
| Agency | DDSN/DSN Board/contracted providers |

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Other Service
Service Name: Private Vehicle Modifications

Provider Category:

Individual Agency

Provider Type:

DME providers

Provider Qualifications

License (specify):

Certificate (specify):

Other Standard (specify):

Enrolled with DHHS

Verification of Provider Qualifications

Entity Responsible for Verification:

DHHS

Frequency of Verification:

Upon enrollment

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C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Other Service
Service Name: Private Vehicle Modifications

Provider Category:

Individual Agency

Provider Type:

DDSN/DSN Board/contracted providers

Provider Qualifications

License (specify):

Certificate (specify):

Other Standard (specify):

DDSN contract

Verification of Provider Qualifications

Entity Responsible for Verification:

DDSN

Frequency of Verification:

Annually

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C-1/C-3: Service Specification

State laws, regulations and policies referenced in the specification are readily available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

Service Type:

Statutory Service Extended State Plan Service Supports for Participant Direction Other Service

As provided in 42 CFR §440.180(b)(9), the State requests the authority to provide the following additional service not specified in statute.

Service Title:

Psychological Services

Service Definition (Scope):

Psychological services address affective, cognitive, and substance abuse problems of an individual. Psychological services include psychiatric, neuropsychological, and psychological assessment and testing; development of treatment plans; individual/client specific family counseling regarding emotions, behavior or social interaction; cognitive rehabilitation therapy; alcohol/substance abuse counseling; and consultation with family members, friends and service providers to assist the participant with affective, cognitive and substance abuse problems.

Specify applicable (if any) limits on the amount, frequency, or duration of this service:

Service Delivery Method *(check each that applies):*

Participant-directed as specified in Appendix E

Provider managed

Specify whether the service may be provided by (check each that applies):

Legally Responsible Person

Relative

Legal Guardian

Provider Specifications:

| Provider Category | Provider Type Title |
|-------------------|--------------------------------|
| Individual | Psychological Service Provider |
| Agency | Psychological Service Provider |

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C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

| | |
|--|---|
| Service Type: | Other Service |
| Service Name: | Psychological Services |
| Provider Category: | Individual Agency |
| Provider Type: | Psychological Service Provider |
| Provider Qualifications | |
| License (specify): | Code of Law of SC, 1976 amended, 40-55-20 et. seq. 40-75-5 et. seq. |
| Certificate (specify): | |
| Other Standard (specify): | Verified and approved by DDSN and enrolled by DHHS |
| Verification of Provider Qualifications | |
| Entity Responsible for Verification: | DDSN/DHHS |
| Frequency of Verification: | Upon enrollment and verification of continuing education every two years. |

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C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

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|--|---|
| Service Type: | Other Service |
| Service Name: | Psychological Services |
| Provider Category: | Individual Agency |
| Provider Type: | Psychological Service Provider |
| Provider Qualifications | |
| License (specify): | Code of Law of SC, 1976 amended; 40-55-20 et seq., 40-75-5 et seq. |
| Certificate (specify): | |
| Other Standard (specify): | Verified and approved by DDSN and enrolled by DHHS |
| Verification of Provider Qualifications | |
| Entity Responsible for Verification: | DDSN/DHHS |
| Frequency of Verification: | Upon Enrollment and verification of continuing education every two years. |

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1: Summary of Services Covered (2 of 2)

2. Provision of Case Management Services to Waiver Participants. Indicate how case management is furnished to waiver participants (*select one*):
 - not selected
 - Not applicable - Case management is not furnished as a distinct activity to waiver participants.
 - Applicable - Case management is furnished as a distinct activity to waiver participants.Check each that applies:
 - As a waiver service defined in Appendix C-3.** Do not complete item C-1-c.
 - As a Medicaid State plan service under §1915(i) of the Act (HCBS as a State Plan Option).** Complete item C-1-c.
 - As a Medicaid State plan service under §1915(g)(1) of the Act (Targeted Case Management).** Complete item C-1-c.
 - As an administrative activity.** Complete item C-1-c. NOTE: Pursuant to CMS-2237-IFC this selection is no longer available for 1915(c) waivers.
 - Not applicable - Case management is not furnished as a distinct activity to waiver participants.** Do not complete item C-1-c.
 - None of the above apply - Case management is furnished as a waiver service (Do not complete item C-1-c).
3. **Delivery of Case Management Services.** Specify the entity or entities that conduct case management functions on behalf of waiver participants:

Character Count: out of 4000

Service Coordination is provided by the Department of Disabilities and Special Needs (DDSN) through contracts with: 1. The local Disabilities and Special Needs (DSN) Board providers. 2. Private providers and other approved/qualified providers. Service Coordination staff prepares and monitor implementation of the Support Plan, assess service needs, facilitate initial Waiver enrollment, complete reevaluations for NF and ICF/MR levels of care, and monitor the health and welfare of the participants in the Head and Spinal Cord Injury Waiver. SCDDSN will assist an individual in identifying alternate services and supports, if the HASCI Waiver cannot meet his or her needs. Service coordinators are currently discussing the HASCI Waiver amendment changes with participants and revising service plans as needed to address participant's assessed needs, including health and safety factors while promoting maximum independence of participants.

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-2: General Service Specifications (1 of 3)

1. **Criminal History and/or Background Investigations.** Specify the State's policies concerning the conduct of criminal history and/or background investigations of individuals who provide waiver services (select one):

No. Criminal history and/or background investigations are not required.

Yes. Criminal history and/or background investigations are required.

Specify: (a) the types of positions (e.g., personal assistants, attendants) for which such investigations must be conducted; (b) the scope of such investigations (e.g., state, national); and, (c) the process for ensuring that mandatory investigations have been conducted. State laws, regulations and policies referenced in this description are available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid or the operating agency (if applicable):

Character Count: out of 12000

Community Residential Care Facilities, Home Health Agencies, Personal Care Agencies, Adult Day Health Care Agencies, Nursing Homes providing respite and SCDDSN direct care staff are all required to have background checks completed by South Carolina Law Enforcement (SLED). Compliance reviews are conducted by DDSN's QIO and DHHS Provider Compliance to ensure mandatory investigations are conducted.

2. **Abuse Registry Screening.** Specify whether the State requires the screening of individuals who provide waiver services through a State-maintained abuse registry (select one):

No. The State does not conduct abuse registry screening.

Yes. The State maintains an abuse registry and requires the screening of individuals through this registry.

Specify: (a) the entity (entities) responsible for maintaining the abuse registry; (b) the types of positions for which abuse registry screenings must be conducted; and, (c) the process for ensuring that mandatory screenings have been conducted. State laws, regulations and policies referenced in this description are available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable):

Character Count: out of 12000

Nursing and Personal Care 2 Providers are required to check the Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) registry and the Office of Inspector General (OIG) exclusions list for all staff. Anyone appearing on either of these lists is not allowed to provide services to waiver participants or participate in any Medicaid funded programs. The website addresses are: CNA Registry - www.pearsonvue.com OIG Exclusions List - <http://www.oig.hhs.gov/fraud/exclusions.asp> SCDHHS Provider Compliance monitors contract compliance for nursing and personal care providers. This occurs at least every eighteen months. Additionally, abuse registry screenings must be completed for all staff of SCDDSN contracted service providers. The SC Department of Social Services maintains the abuse registry list and screens those names submitted by contracted providers against the registry. SCDDSN, through Contract Compliance and Licensing reviewers, ensures that mandated screenings have been conducted.

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C-2: General Service Specifications (2 of 3)

3. **Services in Facilities Subject to §1616(e) of the Social Security Act.** Select one:

No. Home and community-based services under this waiver are not provided in facilities subject to §1616(e) of the Act.

Yes. Home and community-based services are provided in facilities subject to §1616(e) of the Act. The standards that apply to each type of facility where waiver services are provided are available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

1. **Types of Facilities Subject to §1616(e).** Complete the following table for each type of facility subject to §1616(e) of the Act:

| Facility Type | |
|---|--|
| Supervised Living Placement I (SLP I) | |
| Supervised Living Placement II (SLP II) | |
| Community Training Home II (CTH II) | |
| Community Training Home I (CTH I) | |
| Community Residential Care Facility -DDSN Contracted (CRCF) | |

2. **Larger Facilities:** In the case of residential facilities subject to §1616(e) that serve four or more individuals unrelated to the proprietor, describe how a home and community character is maintained in these settings.

Character Count: out of 12000

The individual is able to access community services on an on-going basis to increase his/her independence. The Waiver can provide supplemental services for persons that require more care and assistance than what is provided in that setting. Waiver services must comply with any licensing requirements of that setting.

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C-2: Facility Specifications

Facility Type:

Supervised Living Placement I (SLP I)

Waiver Service(s) Provided in Facility:

| Waiver Service | Provided in Facility |
|--|----------------------|
| Health Education for Consumer-Directed Care | |
| Private Vehicle Modifications | |
| Physical Therapy | |
| Peer Guidance for Consumer-Directed Care | |
| Residential Habilitation | |
| Psychological Services | |
| Attendant Care/Personal Assistance Services | |
| Occupational Therapy | |
| Prescribed Drugs, except drugs furnished to participants under Medicare Part D benefits. | |
| Medicaid Waiver Nursing | |
| Respite Care Services | |
| Environmental Modifications | |
| Behavioral Support Services | |
| Prevocational Services | |
| Supported Employment Services | |

| Waiver Service | Provided in Facility |
|--|----------------------|
| Speech, hearing and language services | |
| Personal Emergency Response Systems | |
| Day Habilitation | |
| Medical Supplies, Equipment and Assistive Technology | |

Facility Capacity Limit:

3

Scope of Facility Standards. For this facility type, please specify whether the State's standards address the following topics (*check each that applies*):

Scope of State Facility Standards

| Standard | Topic Addressed |
|---|-----------------|
| Admission policies | |
| Physical environment | |
| Sanitation | |
| Safety | |
| Staff : resident ratios | |
| Staff training and qualifications | |
| Staff supervision | |
| Resident rights | |
| Medication administration | |
| Use of restrictive interventions | |
| Incident reporting | |
| Provision of or arrangement for necessary health services | |

When facility standards do not address one or more of the topics listed, explain why the standard is not included or is not relevant to the facility type or population. Explain how the health and welfare of participants is assured in the standard area(s) not addressed:

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C-2: Facility Specifications

Facility Type:

Supervised Living Placement II (SLP II)

Waiver Service(s) Provided in Facility:

| Waiver Service | Provided in Facility |
|--|----------------------|
| Health Education for Consumer-Directed Care | |
| Private Vehicle Modifications | |
| Physical Therapy | |
| Peer Guidance for Consumer-Directed Care | |
| Residential Habilitation | |
| Psychological Services | |
| Attendant Care/Personal Assistance Services | |
| Occupational Therapy | |
| Prescribed Drugs, except drugs furnished to participants under Medicare Part D benefits. | |
| Medicaid Waiver Nursing | |
| Respite Care Services | |
| Environmental Modifications | |
| Behavioral Support Services | |
| Prevocational Services | |
| Supported Employment Services | |
| Speech, hearing and language services | |
| Personal Emergency Response Systems | |

| Waiver Service | Provided in Facility |
|--|----------------------|
| Day Habilitation | |
| Medical Supplies, Equipment and Assistive Technology | |

Facility Capacity Limit:

3

Scope of Facility Standards. For this facility type, please specify whether the State's standards address the following topics (*check each that applies*):

Scope of State Facility Standards

| Standard | Topic Addressed |
|---|-----------------|
| Admission policies | |
| Physical environment | |
| Sanitation | |
| Safety | |
| Staff : resident ratios | |
| Staff training and qualifications | |
| Staff supervision | |
| Resident rights | |
| Medication administration | |
| Use of restrictive interventions | |
| Incident reporting | |
| Provision of or arrangement for necessary health services | |

When facility standards do not address one or more of the topics listed, explain why the standard is not included or is not relevant to the facility type or population. Explain how the health and welfare of participants is assured in the standard area(s) not addressed:

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-2: Facility Specifications

Facility Type:

Community Training Home II (CTH II)

Waiver Service(s) Provided in Facility:

| Waiver Service | Provided in Facility |
|--|----------------------|
| Health Education for Consumer-Directed Care | |
| Private Vehicle Modifications | |
| Physical Therapy | |
| Peer Guidance for Consumer-Directed Care | |
| Residential Habilitation | |
| Psychological Services | |
| Attendant Care/Personal Assistance Services | |
| Occupational Therapy | |
| Prescribed Drugs, except drugs furnished to participants under Medicare Part D benefits. | |
| Medicaid Waiver Nursing | |
| Respite Care Services | |
| Environmental Modifications | |
| Behavioral Support Services | |
| Prevocational Services | |
| Supported Employment Services | |
| Speech, hearing and language services | |
| Personal Emergency Response Systems | |

| Waiver Service | Provided in Facility |
|--|----------------------|
| Day Habilitation | |
| Medical Supplies, Equipment and Assistive Technology | |

Facility Capacity Limit:

4

Scope of Facility Standards. For this facility type, please specify whether the State's standards address the following topics (*check each that applies*):

Scope of State Facility Standards

| Standard | Topic Addressed |
|---|-----------------|
| Admission policies | |
| Physical environment | |
| Sanitation | |
| Safety | |
| Staff : resident ratios | |
| Staff training and qualifications | |
| Staff supervision | |
| Resident rights | |
| Medication administration | |
| Use of restrictive interventions | |
| Incident reporting | |
| Provision of or arrangement for necessary health services | |

When facility standards do not address one or more of the topics listed, explain why the standard is not included or is not relevant to the facility type or population. Explain how the health and welfare of participants is assured in the standard area(s) not addressed:

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-2: Facility Specifications

Facility Type:

Community Training Home I (CTH I)

Waiver Service(s) Provided in Facility:

| Waiver Service | Provided in Facility |
|--|----------------------|
| Health Education for Consumer-Directed Care | |
| Private Vehicle Modifications | |
| Physical Therapy | |
| Peer Guidance for Consumer-Directed Care | |
| Residential Habilitation | |
| Psychological Services | |
| Attendant Care/Personal Assistance Services | |
| Occupational Therapy | |
| Prescribed Drugs, except drugs furnished to participants under Medicare Part D benefits. | |
| Medicaid Waiver Nursing | |
| Respite Care Services | |
| Environmental Modifications | |
| Behavioral Support Services | |
| Prevocational Services | |
| Supported Employment Services | |
| Speech, hearing and language services | |
| Personal Emergency Response Systems | |

| Waiver Service | Provided in Facility |
|--|----------------------|
| Day Habilitation | |
| Medical Supplies, Equipment and Assistive Technology | |

Facility Capacity Limit:

2

Scope of Facility Standards. For this facility type, please specify whether the State's standards address the following topics (*check each that applies*):

Scope of State Facility Standards

| Standard | Topic Addressed |
|---|-----------------|
| Admission policies | |
| Physical environment | |
| Sanitation | |
| Safety | |
| Staff : resident ratios | |
| Staff training and qualifications | |
| Staff supervision | |
| Resident rights | |
| Medication administration | |
| Use of restrictive interventions | |
| Incident reporting | |
| Provision of or arrangement for necessary health services | |

When facility standards do not address one or more of the topics listed, explain why the standard is not included or is not relevant to the facility type or population. Explain how the health and welfare of participants is assured in the standard area(s) not addressed:

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-2: Facility Specifications

Facility Type:

Community Residential Care Facility -DDSN Contracted (CRCF)

Waiver Service(s) Provided in Facility:

| Waiver Service | Provided in Facility |
|--|----------------------|
| Health Education for Consumer-Directed Care | |
| Private Vehicle Modifications | |
| Physical Therapy | |
| Peer Guidance for Consumer-Directed Care | |
| Residential Habilitation | |
| Psychological Services | |
| Attendant Care/Personal Assistance Services | |
| Occupational Therapy | |
| Prescribed Drugs, except drugs furnished to participants under Medicare Part D benefits. | |
| Medicaid Waiver Nursing | |
| Respite Care Services | |
| Environmental Modifications | |
| Behavioral Support Services | |
| Prevocational Services | |
| Supported Employment Services | |
| Speech, hearing and language services | |
| Personal Emergency Response Systems | |

| Waiver Service | Provided in Facility |
|--|----------------------|
| Day Habilitation | |
| Medical Supplies, Equipment and Assistive Technology | |

Facility Capacity Limit:

N/A

Scope of Facility Standards. For this facility type, please specify whether the State's standards address the following topics (*check each that applies*):

Scope of State Facility Standards

| Standard | Topic Addressed |
|---|-----------------|
| Admission policies | |
| Physical environment | |
| Sanitation | |
| Safety | |
| Staff : resident ratios | |
| Staff training and qualifications | |
| Staff supervision | |
| Resident rights | |
| Medication administration | |
| Use of restrictive interventions | |
| Incident reporting | |
| Provision of or arrangement for necessary health services | |

When facility standards do not address one or more of the topics listed, explain why the standard is not included or is not relevant to the facility type or population. Explain how the health and welfare of participants is assured in the standard area(s) not addressed:

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-2: General Service Specifications (3 of 3)

4. **Provision of Personal Care or Similar Services by Legally Responsible Individuals.** A legally responsible individual is any person who has a duty under State law to care for another person and typically includes: (a) the parent (biological or adoptive) of a minor child or the guardian of a minor child who must provide care to the child or (b) a spouse of a waiver participant. Except at the option of the State and under extraordinary circumstances specified by the State, payment may not be made to a legally responsible individual for the provision of personal care or similar services that the legally responsible individual would ordinarily perform or be responsible to perform on behalf of a waiver participant. *Select one:*

No. The State does not make payment to legally responsible individuals for furnishing personal care or similar services.
Yes. The State makes payment to legally responsible individuals for furnishing personal care or similar services when they are qualified to provide the services.

Specify: (a) the legally responsible individuals who may be paid to furnish such services and the services they may provide; (b) State policies that specify the circumstances when payment may be authorized for the provision of extraordinary care by a legally responsible individual and how the State ensures that the provision of services by a legally responsible individual is in the best interest of the participant; and, (c) the controls that are employed to ensure that payments are made only for services rendered. Also, specify in Appendix C-1/C-3 the personal care or similar services for which payment may be made to legally responsible individuals under the State policies specified here.

Character Count: out of 12000
not selected

5. **Other State Policies Concerning Payment for Waiver Services Furnished by Relatives/Legal Guardians.** Specify State policies concerning making payment to relatives/legal guardians for the provision of waiver services over and above the policies addressed in Item C-2-d. *Select one:*

The State does not make payment to relatives/legal guardians for furnishing waiver services.
The State makes payment to relatives/legal guardians under specific circumstances and only when the relative/guardian is qualified to furnish services.

Specify the specific circumstances under which payment is made, the types of relatives/legal guardians to whom payment may be made, and the services for which payment may be made. Specify the controls that are employed to ensure that payments are made only for services rendered. Also, specify in Appendix C-1/C-3 each waiver service for which payment may be made to relatives/legal guardians.

Character Count: out of 12000

Relatives/legal guardians may be paid for providing waiver services whenever the relative/legal guardian is qualified to provide services as specified in Appendix C-1/C-3.

Specify the controls that are employed to ensure that payments are made only for services rendered.

Character Count: out of 12000
Other policy.

Specify:

Character Count: out of 12000

Reimbursement for HASCI Waiver services may be made to certain family members who meet South Carolina Medicaid provider qualifications. The following family members may not be reimbursed: the spouse of a Medicaid participant; a parent of a minor Medicaid participant; a step-parent of a minor Medicaid participant; a foster parent of a minor Medicaid participant; any other person legally responsible (sole, joint or otherwise) for the Medicaid participant; and a court appointed guardian of a Medicaid participant. A family member that is a primary caregiver will not be reimbursed for Respite Care services. All other qualified family members may be reimbursed for their provision of the services listed above. Should there be any question as to whether a paid caregiver falls in any of the categories listed above, SCDHHS legal counsel will make a determination.
not selected

6. **Open Enrollment of Providers.** Specify the processes that are employed to assure that all willing and qualified providers have the opportunity to enroll as waiver service providers as provided in 42 CFR §431.51:

Character Count: out of 12000

Potential providers are given the opportunity to enroll/contract with South Carolina Medicaid and/or subcontract with DDSN. Potential providers are made aware of the requirements for enrollment through either the operating or administrating agency by contacting them directly. All potential providers are given a packet of information upon contacting the agencies that describe the requirements for enrollment, the procedures used to qualify and the timeframes established for qualifying and enrolling providers. Additionally, potential providers can find information regarding enrollment requirements and timeframes for enrollment at the state's (2) websites at: DHHS: <http://www.dhhs.state.sc.us/dhhsnew/insidedhhs/bureaus/BureauofLongTermCareServices/DDSND>: <http://www.state.sc.us/ddsn/qpl/HowToBecomeQualified.htm>. DDSN will validate that all standards and qualifications are met for any providers they initially assessed for provider qualifications to render waiver services, ensuring appropriate compliance. DDSN's QIO will conduct annual QA reviews of the waiver providers to ensure the providers continue to meet all standards and qualifications, and provide to DHHS. NOTE: The State has elected to utilize a single incontinence supply vendor selected through the State's Invitation for Bid process. This vendor will provide supplies for all home and community-based waivers that offer these items.

Appendix C: Participant Services

Quality Improvement: Qualified Providers

As a distinct component of the State's quality improvement strategy, provide information in the following fields to detail the State's methods for discovery and remediation.

1. **Methods for Discovery: Qualified Providers**

1. Sub-Assurances:

1. Sub-Assurance: The State verifies that providers initially and continually meet required licensure and/or certification standards and adhere to other standards prior to their furnishing waiver services.

Performance Measures

For each performance measure/indicator the State will use to assess compliance with the statutory assurance complete the following. Where possible, include numerator/denominator. Each performance measure must be specific to this waiver (i.e., data presented must be waiver specific).

For each performance measure, provide information on the aggregated data that will enable the State to analyze and assess progress toward the performance measure. In this section provide information on the method by which each source of data is analyzed statistically/deductively or inductively, how themes are identified or conclusions drawn, and how recommendations are formulated, where appropriate.

Performance Measure:

Proportion of providers that meet required licensing, certification, and other state standards prior to the provision of waiver services by provider type.

Data Source (Select one):

Other

If 'Other' is selected, specify:

DHEC Licensing Reports/Data

| Responsible Party for data collection/generation (check each that applies): | Frequency of data collection/generation (check each that applies): | Sampling Approach check each that applies): |
|--|---|---|
| State Medicaid Agency | Weekly | 100% Review |
| Operating Agency | Monthly | Less than 100% Review |
| Sub-State Entity | Quarterly | Representative Sample Confidence Interval = |
| Other Specify: SC Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC) | Annually | Stratified Describe Group: |
| | Continuously and Ongoing | Other Specify: 100% review sample within 3 years for homes serving adults. 100% review sample annually for homes serving children |

Data Source (Select one):

Other

If 'Other' is selected, specify:

DHHS Provider Compliance
Reviews

| Responsible Party for data collection/g eneration(c heck each that applies): | Frequency of data collection/ge neration(che ck each that applies): | Sampling Approach k each that applies): |
|---|--|--|
| State Medicaid Agency | Weekly | 100% Review |
| Operating Agency | Monthly | Less than 100% Review |
| Sub-State Entity | Quarterly | Representative Sample Confidence Interval = |
| Other Specify: | Annually | Stratified Describe Group: |
| | Continuously and Ongoing | Other Specify: |
| | Other Specify: 100% within 18 months | |

Data Aggregation and Analysis:

| Responsible Party for data aggregation and analysis (check each that applies): | Frequency of data aggregation and analysis (check each that applies): |
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| State Medicaid Agency | Weekly |
| Operating Agency | Monthly |
| Sub-State Entity | Quarterly |
| Other Specify: | Annually |
| | Continuously and Ongoing |
| | Other Specify: |

Performance Measure:

Proportion of waiver providers that continue to meet required licensing, certification and other state standards.

Data Source (Select one):

Other

If 'Other' is selected, specify:

DHHS Provider Compliance
Reviews

| Responsible Party for data collection/g eneration(c heck each that applies): | Frequency of data collection/ge neration(chec k each that applies): | Sampling Approach k each that applies): |
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| State Medicaid Agency | Weekly | 100% Review |
| Operating Agency | Monthly | Less than 100% Review |
| Sub-State Entity | Quarterly | Representative Sample Confidence Interval = |
| Other Specify: | Annually | Stratified Describe Group: |
| | Continuously and Ongoing | Other Specify: |
| | Other | |

Data Source (Select one):

Other

If 'Other' is selected, specify:

DHEC Licensing Reports/Data

| Responsible Party for data collection/generation (check each that applies): | Frequency of data collection/generation (check each that applies): | Sampling Approach check each that applies): |
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| State Medicaid Agency | Weekly | 100% Review |
| Operating Agency | Monthly | Less than 100% Review |
| Sub-State Entity | Quarterly | Representative Sample Confidence Interval = |
| Other Specify: SC DHEC | Annually | Stratified Describe Group: |
| | Continuously and Ongoing | Other Specify: 100% review sample within 3 years for homes serving adults. |

Data Source (Select one):

Other

If 'Other' is selected, specify:

DDSN Behavior Analysts Reviews

| Responsible Party for data collection/generation (check each that applies): | Frequency of data collection/generation (check each that applies): | Sampling Approach check each that applies): |
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| State Medicaid Agency | Weekly | 100% Review |
| Operating Agency | Monthly | Less than 100% Review |
| Sub-State Entity | Quarterly | Representative Sample Confidence Interval = |
| Other Specify: SCDDSN Contractor | Annually | Stratified Describe Group: |
| | Continuously and Ongoing | Other Specify: |
| | Other | |

Data Aggregation and Analysis:

| Responsible Party for data aggregation and analysis (check each that applies): | Frequency of data aggregation and analysis (check each that applies): |
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| State Medicaid Agency | Weekly |
| Operating Agency | Monthly |
| Sub-State Entity | Quarterly |
| Other Specify: SC DHEC; DDSN Contractor | Annually |
| | Continuously and Ongoing |
| | Other Specify: |

2. Sub-Assurance: The State monitors non-licensed/non-certified providers to assure adherence to waiver requirements.

For each performance measure/indicator the State will use to assess compliance with the statutory assurance complete the following. Where possible, include numerator/denominator. Each performance measure must be specific to this waiver (i.e., data presented must be waiver specific).

For each performance measure, provide information on the aggregated data that will enable the State to analyze and assess progress toward the performance measure. In this section provide information on the method by which each source of data is analyzed statistically/deductively or inductively, how themes are identified or conclusions drawn, and how recommendations are formulated, where appropriate.

Performance Measure:

Proportion of non-licensed/non-certified providers that meet waiver requirements.

Data Source (Select one):

Other

If 'Other' is selected, specify:

DDSN QIO Review

| Responsible Party for data collection/generation (check each that applies): | Frequency of data collection/generation (check each that applies): | Sampling Approach check each that applies): |
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| State Medicaid Agency | Weekly | 100% Review |
| Operating Agency | Monthly | Less than 100% Review |
| Sub-State Entity | Quarterly | Representative Sample Confidence Interval = |
| Other Specify: | Annually | Stratified Describe Group: |
| | Continuously and Ongoing | Other Specify: |
| | Other Specify: DDSN QIO reviews are conducted on a 12-18 month cycle depending on past performance of the | |

Data Source (Select one):

Other

If 'Other' is selected, specify:

DHHS Focus Reviews

| Responsible Party for data collection/generation (check each that applies): | Frequency of data collection/generation (check each that applies): | Sampling Approach check each that applies): |
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| State Medicaid Agency | Weekly | 100% Review |
| Operating Agency | Monthly | Less than 100% Review |
| Sub-State Entity | Quarterly | Representative Sample Confidence Interval = |
| Other Specify: | Annually | Stratified Describe Group: |
| | Continuously and Ongoing | Other Specify: Sampling determined by evidence warranting a special review. |
| | Other Specify: As warranted | |

Data Source (Select one):

Other

If 'Other' is selected, specify:

DHHS Provider Compliance
Reviews

| Responsible Party for data collection/g eneration(c heck each that applies): | Frequency of data collection/ge neration(che ck each that applies): | Sampling Approach k each that applies): |
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| State Medicaid Agency | Weekly | 100% Review |
| Operating Agency | Monthly | Less than 100% Review |
| Sub-State Entity | Quarterly | Representative Sample Confidence Interval = |
| Other Specify: | Annually | Stratified Describe Group: |
| | Continuously and Ongoing | Other Specify: |
| | Other Specify: 100% within 18 months | |

Data Aggregation and Analysis:

| Responsible Party for data aggregation and analysis (check each that applies): | Frequency of data aggregation and analysis (check each that applies): |
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| State Medicaid Agency | Weekly |
| Operating Agency | Monthly |
| Sub-State Entity | Quarterly |
| Other Specify: | Annually |
| | Continuously and Ongoing |
| | Other Specify: |

3. Sub-Assurance: The State implements its policies and procedures for verifying that provider training is conducted in accordance with state requirements and the approved waiver.

For each performance measure/indicator the State will use to assess compliance with the statutory assurance complete the following. Where possible, include numerator/denominator. Each performance measure must be specific to this waiver (i.e., data presented must be waiver specific).

For each performance measure, provide information on the aggregated data that will enable the State to analyze and assess progress toward the performance measure. In this section provide information on the method by which each source of data is analyzed statistically/deductively or inductively, how themes are identified or conclusions drawn, and how recommendations are formulated, where appropriate.

Performance Measure:

Proportion of providers that meet training requirements in the waiver.

Data Source (Select one):

Other

If 'Other' is selected, specify:

DDSN QIO Reviews

| Responsible Party for data collection/generation (check each that applies): | Frequency of data collection/generation (check each that applies): | Sampling Approach check each that applies): |
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| State Medicaid Agency | Weekly | 100% Review |
| Operating Agency | Monthly | Less than 100% Review |
| Sub-State Entity | Quarterly | Representative Sample Confidence Interval = |
| Other Specify: | Annually | Stratified Describe Group: |
| | Continuously and Ongoing | Other Specify: |
| | Other Specify: DDSN QIO Reviews are conducted on a 12-18 month cycle, depending on past performance of the | |

Data Source (Select one):

Other

If 'Other' is selected, specify:

DHHS Provider Compliance
Reviews

| Responsible Party for data collection/g eneration(c heck each that applies): | Frequency of data collection/ge neration(che ck each that applies): | Sampling Approach k each that applies): |
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| State Medicaid Agency | Weekly | 100% Review |
| Operating Agency | Monthly | Less than 100% Review |
| Sub-State Entity | Quarterly | Representative Sample Confidence Interval = |
| Other Specify: | Annually | Stratified Describe Group: |
| | Continuously and Ongoing | Other Specify: |
| | Other Specify: 100% within 18 months | |

Data Aggregation and Analysis:

| Responsible Party for data aggregation and analysis (check each that applies): | Frequency of data aggregation and analysis (check each that applies): |
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| State Medicaid Agency | Weekly |
| Operating Agency | Monthly |
| Sub-State Entity | Quarterly |
| Other Specify: | Annually |
| | Continuously and Ongoing |
| | Other Specify: |

2. If applicable, in the textbox below provide any necessary additional information on the strategies employed by the State to discover/identify problems/issues within the waiver program, including frequency and parties responsible.

Character Count: out of 6000

2. Methods for Remediation/Fixing Individual Problems

1. Describe the State's method for addressing individual problems as they are discovered. Include information regarding responsible parties and GENERAL methods for problem correction. In addition, provide information on the methods used by the State to document these items.

Character Count: out of 6000

Information about agencies that were reviewed, compliance issues uncovered, and corrections made will be maintained along with timeframes of correction. DDSN will share this information with DHHS on a regular basis.

2. Remediation Data Aggregation

Remediation-related Data Aggregation and Analysis (including trend identification)

| Responsible Party (check each that applies): | Frequency of data aggregation and analysis (check each that applies): |
|--|---|
| State Medicaid Agency | Weekly |
| Operating Agency | Monthly |
| Sub-State Entity | Quarterly |
| Other Specify: | Annually |
| | Continuously and Ongoing |
| | Other Specify: |

3. Timelines

When the State does not have all elements of the Quality Improvement Strategy in place, provide timelines to design methods for discovery and remediation related to the assurance of Qualified Providers that are currently non-operational.

No

Yes

not selected

Please provide a detailed strategy for assuring Qualified Providers, the specific timeline for implementing identified strategies, and the parties responsible for its operation.

Character Count: out of 6000

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-3: Waiver Services Specifications

Section C-3 'Service Specifications' is incorporated into Section C-1 'Waiver Services.'

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-4: Additional Limits on Amount of Waiver Services

1. **Additional Limits on Amount of Waiver Services.** Indicate whether the waiver employs any of the following additional limits on the amount of waiver services (*select one*).

not selected

Not applicable - The State does not impose a limit on the amount of waiver services except as provided in Appendix C-3.

Applicable - The State imposes additional limits on the amount of waiver services.

When a limit is employed, specify: (a) the waiver services to which the limit applies; (b) the basis of the limit, including its basis in historical expenditure/utilization patterns and, as applicable, the processes and methodologies that are used to determine the amount of the limit to which a participant's services are subject; (c) how the limit will be adjusted over the course of the waiver period; (d) provisions for adjusting or making exceptions to the limit based on participant health and welfare needs or other factors specified by the state; (e) the safeguards that are in effect when the amount of the limit is insufficient to meet a participant's needs; (f) how participants are notified of the amount of the limit. (*check each that applies*)

Limit(s) on Set(s) of Services. There is a limit on the maximum dollar amount of waiver services that is authorized for one or more sets of services offered under the waiver.

Furnish the information specified above.

Character Count: out of 24000

Prospective Individual Budget Amount. There is a limit on the maximum dollar amount of waiver services authorized for each specific participant.

Furnish the information specified above.

Character Count: out of 24000

Budget Limits by Level of Support. Based on an assessment process and/or other factors, participants are assigned to funding levels that are limits on the maximum dollar amount of waiver services.

Furnish the information specified above.

Character Count: out of 24000

Other Type of Limit. The State employs another type of limit.

Describe the limit and furnish the information specified above.

Character Count: out of 24000

Not applicable. The State does not impose a limit on the amount of waiver services except as provided in Appendix C-3.

Appendix D: Participant-Centered Planning and Service Delivery

D-1: Service Plan Development (1 of 8)

State Participant-Centered Service Plan Title: Support Plan

1. Responsibility for Service Plan Development. Per 42 CFR §441.301(b)(2), specify who is responsible for the development of the service plan and the qualifications of these individuals (*select each that applies*):

Registered nurse, licensed to practice in the State

Licensed practical or vocational nurse, acting within the scope of practice under State law

Licensed physician (M.D. or D.O)

Case Manager (qualifications specified in Appendix C-1/C-3)

Case Manager (qualifications not specified in Appendix C-1/C-3).

Specify qualifications:

Character Count: out of 6000

Social Worker.

Specify qualifications:

Character Count: out of 6000

Other

Specify the individuals and their qualifications:

Character Count: out of 6000

Service Coordinator / Early Interventionists must hold at least a Bachelor's Degree in Social Work or a related field from an accredited college or university, or hold at least a Bachelor's degree in an unrelated field from an accredited college/university and have at least one year of experience working in case management and knowledge of disabilities.

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D-1: Service Plan Development (2 of 8)

2. Service Plan Development Safeguards. *Select one:*

Entities and/or individuals that have responsibility for service plan development may not provide other direct waiver services to the participant.

Entities and/or individuals that have responsibility for service plan development may provide other direct waiver services to the participant.

The State has established the following safeguards to ensure that service plan development is conducted in the best interests of the participant. Specify:

Character Count: out of 6000

The state utilizes a standardized tool for assessing the needs of all waiver participants. Once needs are identified and prioritized, service coordinators explain the service options that are available to meet those needs. Participants are given the names of all available providers of needed services from which they may choose. Their choice is documented.

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D-1: Service Plan Development (3 of 8)

3. Supporting the Participant in Service Plan Development. Specify: (a) the supports and information that are made available to the participant (and/or family or legal representative, as appropriate) to direct and be actively engaged in the service plan development process and (b) the participant's authority to determine who is included in the process.

Character Count: out of 12000

During the planning process the participant, his/her legal guardian, caregivers, professional service providers (including physician) and others of the participant's choosing provide input. The information obtained is used by the service coordinator in order to develop the Support Plan. The participant/legal guardian will receive a copy of the Support Plan upon completion. Copies will also be provided to other service providers of the participant's/legal guardian's choosing.

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D-1: Service Plan Development (4 of 8)

4. **Service Plan Development Process.** In four pages or less, describe the process that is used to develop the participant-centered service plan, including: (a) who develops the plan, who participates in the process, and the timing of the plan; (b) the types of assessments that are conducted to support the service plan development process, including securing information about participant needs, preferences and goals, and health status; (c) how the participant is informed of the services that are available under the waiver; (d) how the plan development process ensures that the service plan addresses participant goals, needs (including health care needs), and preferences; (e) how waiver and other services are coordinated; (f) how the plan development process provides for the assignment of responsibilities to implement and monitor the plan; and, (g) how and when the plan is updated, including when the participant's needs change. State laws, regulations, and policies cited that affect the service plan development process are available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable):

Character Count: out of 24000

The Service Plan is developed by the service coordinator and is based on the comprehensive assessment of the waiver participant's strengths, needs, and personal priorities (goals) and preferences. The participant, his/her legal guardian, caregivers, professional service providers (including physician) and others of the participant's choosing may provide input. Service plans are developed prior to the delivery of a waiver-funded service and at least within 365 days of the previous service plan or more often as the participant's needs change. Participants are informed in writing at the time of enrollment of the names and definitions of waiver services that can be funded through the waiver when the need for the service has been identified by the service coordinator. Participation in the planning process by the participant, his/her guardian, knowledgeable professionals and others of the participant's choosing, helps to assure that the participant's personal priorities and preferences are recognized and addressed by the plan. The service coordinator must utilize information about the participant's strengths, priorities, and preferences to determine how prioritized needs will be addressed. The plan will include a statement of the participant's need, indication of whether or not the need relates to a personal goal, the specific service to meet the need, the amount, frequency, duration of the service, and the type of provider who will furnish the service. The plan will include the roles and responsibilities of the service coordinator and the participant and his/her guardian for each service included in the plan. The service coordinator will have primary responsibility for coordination of services but must rely on the participant/guardian to choose a service provider from among those available, and honor appointments scheduled with providers when needed for initial service implementation, and cooperate with coordination efforts. The degree of coordination may vary based on the needs of the participant and his/her support network and their preferences for self-coordination. On at least a quarterly basis, there will be a review of the entire plan to determine if updates are needed. On an annual basis, there will be a face-to-face contact with the participant/family during which the effectiveness, usefulness, and benefits of the plan will be discussed along with the participant's/family's satisfaction with the services/providers. Changes to the plan will be made as needed by the service coordinator when the results of monitoring or when information obtained from the participant, his/her guardian, and/or service providers indicates the need for a change to the plan.

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D-1: Service Plan Development (5 of 8)

5. **Risk Assessment and Mitigation.** Specify how potential risks to the participant are assessed during the service plan development process and how strategies to mitigate risk are incorporated into the service plan, subject to participant needs and preferences. In addition, describe how the service plan development process addresses backup plans and the arrangements that are used for backup.

Character Count: out of 12000

Waiver participants' needs, including potential risks associated with their situations, are assessed and considered during the annual planning process. The plan of service document includes a section for a description of a back-up plan to be implemented during an emergency/natural disaster and a description of how care will be provided in the unexpected absence of a caregiver/supporter. A standardized assessment tool is used for all waiver participants. This tool assesses the person's current situation, risks, and his/her personal preferences. Risks and preferences are considered as part of annual planning. The plan of service document includes sections that outline the responsibilities of the waiver

participant/representative and the responsibilities of the case manager. When back-up plans are needed, those details are included with responsibilities for all parties delineated.

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D-1: Service Plan Development (6 of 8)

6. Informed Choice of Providers. Describe how participants are assisted in obtaining information about and selecting from among qualified providers of the waiver services in the service plan.

Character Count: out of 6000

Upon request or as service needs change, participants are given a list of providers of specified waiver services for which a change is requested or needed in order to select a provider. This list includes phone numbers. Participants are encouraged to phone providers with questions, ask friends about their experiences with providers and utilize other information sources in order to select a provider.

Appendix D: Participant-Centered Planning and Service Delivery

D-1: Service Plan Development (7 of 8)

7. Process for Making Service Plan Subject to the Approval of the Medicaid Agency. Describe the process by which the service plan is made subject to the approval of the Medicaid agency in accordance with 42 CFR §441.301(b)(1)(i):

Character Count: out of 6000

The format and content of the questions for the service plan document, as well as the intended planning process must be reviewed and approved by DHHS prior to implementation. Participant plans are available upon request. A sample of participant plans are reviewed by DDSN and results shared with the service coordinator and his/her supervisor so that corrections can be made if needed. These results are also shared with DHHS in an annual report.

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D-1: Service Plan Development (8 of 8)

8. Service Plan Review and Update. The service plan is subject to at least annual periodic review and update to assess the appropriateness and adequacy of the services as participant needs change. Specify the minimum schedule for the review and update of the service plan:

Every three months or more frequently when necessary

Every six months or more frequently when necessary

Every twelve months or more frequently when necessary

Other schedule

Specify the other schedule:

Character Count: out of 6000

Updated at least annually (within every 365 days from the date of the previous Plan).

9. Maintenance of Service Plan Forms. Written copies or electronic facsimiles of service plans are maintained for a

minimum period of 3 years as required by 45 CFR §92.42. Service plans are maintained by the following (*check each that applies*):

Medicaid agency

Operating agency

Case manager

Other

Specify:

Character Count: out of 4000

Service Coordinator/Early Interventionist (SC/EI)

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D-2: Service Plan Implementation and Monitoring

1. Service Plan Implementation and Monitoring. Specify: (a) the entity (entities) responsible for monitoring the implementation of the service plan and participant health and welfare; (b) the monitoring and follow-up method(s) that are used; and, (c) the frequency with which monitoring is performed.

Character Count: out of 24000

At a minimum, Service Coordinators will provide quarterly contact with the participant and/or family. On a quarterly basis, there will be a review of the Support Plan which includes the most recent contact with the participant/family.

2. Monitoring Safeguards. *Select one:*

Entities and/or individuals that have responsibility to monitor service plan implementation and participant health and welfare may not provide other direct waiver services to the participant.

Entities and/or individuals that have responsibility to monitor service plan implementation and participant health and welfare may provide other direct waiver services to the participant

The State has established the following safeguards to ensure that monitoring is conducted in the best interests of the participant. Specify:

Character Count: out of 24000

DDSN policy dictates the minimum frequency with which monitoring must occur and the elements (service effectiveness/usefulness, service providers, frequency and duration, and participant/family satisfaction with services) that must be included. Monitoring is documented using a standardized format that includes the noted elements along with actions to be taken when concerns are noted. As appropriate, when concerns are noted, participants/families are given information about all service providers of needed services from which they may choose. Monitoring is reviewed by DDSN as part of its quality assurance/compliance process.

Appendix D: Participant-Centered Planning and Service Delivery

Quality Improvement: Service Plan

As a distinct component of the State's quality improvement strategy, provide information in the following fields to detail the State's methods for discovery and remediation.

1. **Methods for Discovery: Service Plan Assurance/Sub-assurances**

1. Sub-Assurances:

1. Sub-assurance: Service plans address all participants' assessed needs (including health and safety risk factors) and personal goals, either by the provision of waiver services or through other means.

Performance Measures

For each performance measure/indicator the State will use to assess compliance with the statutory assurance complete the following. Where possible, include numerator/denominator. Each performance measure must be specific to this waiver (i.e., data presented must be waiver specific).

For each performance measure, provide information on the aggregated data that will enable the State to analyze and assess progress toward the performance measure. In this section provide information on the method by which each source of data is analyzed statistically/deductively or inductively, how themes are identified or conclusions drawn, and how recommendations are formulated, where appropriate.

Performance Measure:

Proportion of participants whose plans includes services and supports that are consistent with needs and personal goals identified in the comprehensive assessment.

Data Source (Select one):

Other

If 'Other' is selected,
specify:

DDSN QIO Reviews

| Responsible Party for data collection/generation (check each that applies): | Frequency of data collection/generation (check each that applies): |
|--|---|
| State Medicaid Agency | Weekly |
| Operating Agency | Monthly |
| Sub-State Entity | Quarterly |
| Other Specify: | Annually |
| | Continuously and Ongoing |
| | Other Specify: DDSN QIO reviews are conducted on a 12-18 month cycle depending on past |

Data Source (Select one):

Other

If 'Other' is selected,
specify:

DHHS Focus Reviews

| Responsible Party for data collection/generation (check each that applies): | Frequency of data collection/generation (check each that applies): |
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| State Medicaid Agency | Weekly |
| Operating Agency | Monthly |
| Sub-State Entity | Quarterly |
| Other Specify: | Annually |
| | Continuously and Ongoing |
| | Other Specify: As warranted |

Data Aggregation and Analysis:

| Responsible Party for data aggregation and analysis (check each that applies): | Frequency of data aggregation and analysis (check each that applies): |
|---|--|
| State Medicaid Agency | Weekly |
| Operating Agency | Monthly |
| Sub-State Entity | Quarterly |
| Other Specify: | Annually |
| | Continuously and Ongoing |
| | Other Specify: |

2. Sub-assurance: The State monitors service plan development in accordance with its policies and procedures.

Performance Measures

For each performance measure/indicator the State will use to assess compliance with the statutory assurance complete the following. Where possible, include numerator/denominator. Each performance measure must be specific to this waiver (i.e., data presented must be waiver specific).

For each performance measure, provide information on the aggregated data that will enable the State to analyze and assess progress toward the performance measure. In this section provide information on the method by which each source of data is analyzed statistically/deductively or inductively, how themes are identified or conclusions drawn, and how recommendations are formulated, where appropriate.

Performance Measure:

Proportion of participants whose plans were completed/revised prior to the provision of waiver services and monitored in accordance with State policy.

Data Source (Select one):

Other

If 'Other' is selected,
specify:

DDSN QIO Reports

| Responsible Party for data collection/generation (check each that applies): | Frequency of data collection/generation (check each that applies): |
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| State Medicaid Agency | Weekly |
| Operating Agency | Monthly |
| Sub-State Entity | Quarterly |
| Other Specify: | Annually |
| | Continuously and Ongoing |
| | Other Specify: DDSN QIO reviews are conducted on a 12-18 month cycle depending on past |

Data Source (Select one):

Other

If 'Other' is selected,
specify:

DHHS Focus Reviews

| Responsible Party for data collection/generation (check each that applies): | Frequency of data collection/generation (check each that applies): |
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| State Medicaid Agency | Weekly |
| Operating Agency | Monthly |
| Sub-State Entity | Quarterly |
| Other Specify: | Annually |
| | Continuously and Ongoing |
| | Other Specify: As warranted |

Data Aggregation and Analysis:

| Responsible Party for data aggregation and analysis (check each that applies): | Frequency of data aggregation and analysis (check each that applies): |
|---|--|
| State Medicaid Agency | Weekly |
| Operating Agency | Monthly |
| Sub-State Entity | Quarterly |
| Other Specify: | Annually |
| | Continuously and Ongoing |
| | Other Specify: |

3. Sub-assurance: Service plans are updated/revised at least annually or when warranted by changes in the waiver participant's needs.

Performance Measures

For each performance measure/indicator the State will use to assess compliance with the statutory assurance complete the following. Where possible, include numerator/denominator. Each performance measure must be specific to this waiver (i.e., data presented must be waiver specific).

For each performance measure, provide information on the aggregated data that will enable the State to analyze and assess progress toward the performance measure. In this section provide information on the method by which each source of data is analyzed statistically/deductively or inductively, how themes are identified or conclusions drawn, and how recommendations are formulated, where appropriate.

Performance Measure:

Proportion of participants whose plans were updated/revised at least annually and when warranted.

Data Source (Select one):

Other

If 'Other' is selected,
specify:

DDSN QIO reports

| Responsible Party for data collection/generation (check each that applies): | Frequency of data collection/generation (check each that applies): |
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| State Medicaid Agency | Weekly |
| Operating Agency | Monthly |
| Sub-State Entity | Quarterly |
| Other Specify: | Annually |
| | Continuously and Ongoing |
| | Other Specify: DDSN QIO reviews are conducted on a 12-18 month cycle depending on past |

Data Source (Select one):

Other

If 'Other' is selected,
specify:

DHHS Focus Reviews

| Responsible Party for data collection/generation (check each that applies): | Frequency of data collection/generation (check each that applies): |
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| State Medicaid Agency | Weekly |
| Operating Agency | Monthly |
| Sub-State Entity | Quarterly |
| Other Specify: | Annually |
| | Continuously and Ongoing |
| | Other Specify: As warranted |

Data Aggregation and Analysis:

| Responsible Party for data aggregation and analysis (check each that applies): | Frequency of data aggregation and analysis (check each that applies): |
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| State Medicaid Agency | Weekly |
| Operating Agency | Monthly |
| Sub-State Entity | Quarterly |
| Other Specify: | Annually |
| | Continuously and Ongoing |
| | Other Specify: |

4. Sub-assurance: Services are delivered in accordance with the service plan, including the type, scope, amount, duration and frequency specified in the service plan.

Performance Measures

For each performance measure/indicator the State will use to assess compliance with the statutory assurance complete the following. Where possible, include numerator/denominator. Each performance measure must be specific to this waiver (i.e., data presented must be waiver specific).

For each performance measure, provide information on the aggregated data that will enable the State to analyze and assess progress toward the performance measure. In this section provide information on the method by which each source of data is analyzed statistically/deductively or inductively, how themes are identified or conclusions drawn, and how recommendations are formulated, where appropriate.

Performance Measure:

Proportion of participants who are receiving the services and supports in the type, amount, frequency, and duration as specified in their plans.

Data Source (Select one):

Other

If 'Other' is selected,
specify:

DDSN QIO Reports

| Responsible Party for data collection/generation (check each that applies): | Frequency of data collection/generation (check each that applies): |
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| State Medicaid Agency | Weekly |
| Operating Agency | Monthly |
| Sub-State Entity | Quarterly |
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| | Other Specify: DDSN QIO reviews are conducted on a 12-18 month cycle depending on past |

Data Source (Select one):

Other

If 'Other' is selected,
specify:

DHHS Focus Reviews

| Responsible Party for data collection/generation (check each that applies): | Frequency of data collection/generation (check each that applies): |
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Data Aggregation and Analysis:

| Responsible Party for data aggregation and analysis (check each that applies): | Frequency of data aggregation and analysis (check each that applies): |
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| State Medicaid Agency | Weekly |
| Operating Agency | Monthly |
| Sub-State Entity | Quarterly |
| Other Specify: | Annually |
| | Continuously and Ongoing |
| | Other Specify: |

5. Sub-assurance: Participants are afforded choice: Between waiver services and institutional care; and between/among waiver services and providers.

Performance Measures

For each performance measure/indicator the State will use to assess compliance with the statutory assurance complete the following. Where possible, include numerator/denominator. Each performance measure must be specific to this waiver (i.e., data presented must be waiver specific).

For each performance measure, provide information on the aggregated data that will enable the State to analyze and assess progress toward the performance measure. In this section provide information on the method by which each source of data is analyzed statistically/deductively or inductively, how themes are identified or conclusions drawn, and how recommendations are formulated, where appropriate.

Performance Measure:

Proportion of participant records which contained an appropriately completed and signed Freedom of Choice form that specifies choice was offered between waiver services and institutional care.

Data Source (Select one):

Other

If 'Other' is selected,
specify:

DDSN QIO Reviews

| Responsible Party for data collection/generation (check each that applies): | Frequency of data collection/generation (check each that applies): |
|--|---|
| State Medicaid Agency | Weekly |
| Operating Agency | Monthly |
| Sub-State Entity | Quarterly |
| Other Specify: | Annually |
| | Continuously and Ongoing |
| | Other Specify: DDSN QIO reviews are conducted on a 12-18 month cycle depending on past |

Data Aggregation and Analysis:

| Responsible Party for data aggregation and analysis (check each that applies): | Frequency of data aggregation and analysis (check each that applies): |
|---|--|
| State Medicaid Agency | Weekly |
| Operating Agency | Monthly |
| Sub-State Entity | Quarterly |
| Other Specify: | Annually |
| | Continuously and Ongoing |
| | Other Specify: |

Performance Measure:

Proportion of Waiver participants who were offered choice among services and providers.

Data Source (Select one):

Other

If 'Other' is selected,
specify:

DDSN QIO Reviews

| Responsible Party for data collection/generation (check each that applies): | Frequency of data collection/generation (check each that applies): |
|--|---|
| State Medicaid Agency | Weekly |
| Operating Agency | Monthly |
| Sub-State Entity | Quarterly |
| Other Specify: | Annually |
| | Continuously and Ongoing |
| | Other Specify: DDSN QIO reviews are conducted on a 12-18 month cycle depending on past |

Data Source (Select one):

Other

If 'Other' is selected,
specify:

DHHS Focus Reviews

| Responsible Party for data collection/generation (check each that applies): | Frequency of data collection/generation (check each that applies): |
|--|---|
| State Medicaid Agency | Weekly |
| Operating Agency | Monthly |
| Sub-State Entity | Quarterly |
| Other Specify: | Annually |
| | Continuously and Ongoing |
| | Other Specify: As warranted |

Data Aggregation and Analysis:

| Responsible Party for data aggregation and analysis (check each that applies): | Frequency of data aggregation and analysis (check each that applies): |
|---|--|
| State Medicaid Agency | Weekly |
| Operating Agency | Monthly |
| Sub-State Entity | Quarterly |
| Other Specify: | Annually |
| | Continuously and Ongoing |
| | Other Specify: |

2. If applicable, in the textbox below provide any necessary additional information on the strategies employed by the State to discover/identify problems/issues within the waiver program, including frequency and parties responsible.

Character Count: out of 6000

2. **Methods for Remediation/Fixing Individual Problems**

1. Describe the State's method for addressing individual problems as they are discovered. Include information regarding responsible parties and GENERAL methods for problem correction. In addition, provide information on the methods used by the State to document these items.

Character Count: out of 6000

When DDSN's QIO identifies problems, the provider agency being reviewed is required to submit a plan of correction to address the issues discovered. The QIO conducts a follow-up review to determine if corrections have been made. Additionally, QIO reports are reviewed by DDSN Operations staff. As needed, technical assistance is provided to providers by the Operations staff. Documentation of all technical assistance is available. DDSN QIO reviews, provider plans of correction and QIO follow-up review results are available to DHHS.

2. Remediation Data Aggregation

Remediation-related Data Aggregation and Analysis (including trend identification)

| Responsible Party (check each that applies): | Frequency of data aggregation and analysis (check each that applies): |
|---|--|
| State Medicaid Agency | Weekly |
| Operating Agency | Monthly |
| Sub-State Entity | Quarterly |
| Other Specify: | Annually |
| | Continuously and Ongoing |
| | Other Specify: |

3. **Timelines**

When the State does not have all elements of the Quality Improvement Strategy in place, provide timelines to design methods for discovery and remediation related to the assurance of Service Plans that are currently non-operational.

No

Yes

not selected

Please provide a detailed strategy for assuring Service Plans, the specific timeline for implementing identified strategies, and the parties responsible for its operation.

Character Count: out of 6000

Appendix E: Participant Direction of Services

Applicability (from Application Section 3, Components of the Waiver Request):

Yes. This waiver provides participant direction opportunities. Complete the remainder of the Appendix.

No. This waiver does not provide participant direction opportunities. Do not complete the remainder of the Appendix.
not selected

CMS urges states to afford all waiver participants the opportunity to direct their services. Participant direction of services includes the participant exercising decision-making authority over workers who provide services, a participant-managed budget or both. CMS will confer the Independence Plus designation when the waiver evidences a strong commitment to participant direction.

Indicate whether Independence Plus designation is requested (select one):

Yes. The State requests that this waiver be considered for Independence Plus designation.

No. Independence Plus designation is not requested.
not selected

Appendix E: Participant Direction of Services

E-1: Overview (1 of 13)

1. **Description of Participant Direction.** In no more than two pages, provide an overview of the opportunities for participant direction in the waiver, including: (a) the nature of the opportunities afforded to participants; (b) how participants may take advantage of these opportunities; (c) the entities that support individuals who direct their services and the supports that they provide; and, (d) other relevant information about the waiver's approach to participant direction.

Character Count: out of 12000

The HASCI Waiver offers the participant an option to direct Attendant Care/Personal Assistance Services with employer authority. The participant or his/her Responsible Party (RP) can choose to direct the participant's care. The participant or RP must have no communication or cognitive deficits that would interfere with participant or RP direction. Service Coordinators will provide detailed information to the Waiver participant and/or RP about participant direction as an option, including the benefits and responsibilities of the option. If the participant or RP want to pursue participant direction, additional information about the risks, responsibilities, and liabilities of the option will be shared by the Service Coordinator. Information about the role of the FMS is also provided and information concerning the hiring, management and firing of workers. Independent advocacy is available to recipients who feel the need for additional support. Once the participant has chosen to direct his/her services, the Service Coordinator(s) will continue to monitor service delivery and the status of the participant's health and safety.

Appendix E: Participant Direction of Services

E-1: Overview (2 of 13)

2. **Participant Direction Opportunities.** Specify the participant direction opportunities that are available in the waiver.
Select one:

Participant: Employer Authority. As specified in *Appendix E-2, Item a*, the participant (or the participant's representative) has decision-making authority over workers who provide waiver services. The participant may function as the common law employer or the co-employer of workers. Supports and protections are available for participants who exercise this authority.

Participant: Budget Authority. As specified in *Appendix E-2, Item b*, the participant (or the participant's representative) has decision-making authority over a budget for waiver services. Supports and protections are available for participants

who have authority over a budget.

Both Authorities. The waiver provides for both participant direction opportunities as specified in *Appendix E-2*. Supports and protections are available for participants who exercise these authorities.
not selected

3. **Availability of Participant Direction by Type of Living Arrangement.** *Check each that applies:*

Participant direction opportunities are available to participants who live in their own private residence or the home of a family member.

Participant direction opportunities are available to individuals who reside in other living arrangements where services (regardless of funding source) are furnished to fewer than four persons unrelated to the proprietor.

The participant direction opportunities are available to persons in the following other living arrangements

Specify these living arrangements:

Character Count: out of 4000

1) CRCF 2) A Private residence 3) Temporary living arrangement such as hotel/motel, shelter or camp

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E-1: Overview (3 of 13)

4. **Election of Participant Direction.** Election of participant direction is subject to the following policy (select one):

Waiver is designed to support only individuals who want to direct their services.

The waiver is designed to afford every participant (or the participants representative) the opportunity to elect to direct waiver services. Alternate service delivery methods are available for participants who decide not to direct their services.

The waiver is designed to offer participants (or their representatives) the opportunity to direct some or all of their services, subject to the following criteria specified by the State. Alternate service delivery methods are available for participants who decide not to direct their services or do not meet the criteria.

Specify the criteria

Character Count: out of 18000

The participant or RP must have no communication or cognitive deficits that would interfere with participant or RP direction. The service coordinator will assess and determine if these criteria are met. Participants interested in self-directed care are prescreened to assure capability utilizing a standardized pre-screen form. If he/she is not capable a responsible party may direct care if he/she passes the pre-screen. The prescreening form utilized is standardized across waiver programs and assesses three main areas of ability that are critical to self-direction and assuring the health and welfare of the participant. The three principal areas screened during the assessment are communication, cognitive patterns, and mood and behavior patterns. The communication section assesses the ability of the participant/responsible party to make them understood and the ability of others to understand the participant/responsible party. The cognitive patterns section evaluates both the short-term memory and cognitive skills for daily decision making of the participant/responsible party. Finally the assessment tool reviews the mood and behavior patterns of the participant/responsible party to assess sad/anxious moods. The assessment is scored based on these three areas and the results are shared with the participant/responsible party. If the participant/responsible party disagrees with the results they may appeal the decision. The RN match visit is completed prior to service authorization.

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5. **Information Furnished to Participant.** Specify: (a) the information about participant direction opportunities (e.g., the benefits of participant direction, participant responsibilities, and potential liabilities) that is provided to the participant (or the participant's representative) to inform decision-making concerning the election of participant direction; (b) the entity or entities responsible for furnishing this information; and, (c) how and when this information is provided on a timely basis.

Character Count: out of 12000

At the time of the initial assessment, the Service Coordinator will introduce participant direction of Attendant Care/Personal Assistance services as an option and provide a brochure giving information about this option. The Service Coordinator will provide this information initially or at the request of the participant. If the participant is interested, the Service Coordinator will provide more details about the benefits and responsibilities of participant direction and determine continued interest. The Service Coordinator will provide extensive information about the benefits as well as the risks, responsibilities and liabilities of participant direction. The Service Coordinator will continue to assess the participant's interest on an annual basis or more frequently if requested by the participant.

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E-1: Overview (5 of 13)

6. **Participant Direction by a Representative.** Specify the State's policy concerning the direction of waiver services by a representative (select one):

The State does not provide for the direction of waiver services by a representative.

The State provides for the direction of waiver services by representatives.

Specify the representatives who may direct waiver services: *(check each that applies)*:

Waiver services may be directed by a legal representative of the participant.

Waiver services may be directed by a non-legal representative freely chosen by an adult participant.

Specify the policies that apply regarding the direction of waiver services by participant-appointed representatives, including safeguards to ensure that the representative functions in the best interest of the participant:

Character Count: out of 12000

A participant may choose to have waiver services directed by a representative and he/she may choose anyone (subject to DDSN or Medicaid Policy) willing to understand and assume the risks, rights and responsibilities of directing the participant's care. The chosen representative must demonstrate a strong personal commitment to the participant and knowledge of the participant's preferences, and must agree to a predetermined frequency of contact with the participant. A representative may not be paid to be a representative, and may not be paid to provide waiver services to the participant.

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7. **Participant-Directed Services.** Specify the participant direction opportunity (or opportunities) available for each waiver service that is specified as participant-directed in Appendix C-1/C-3.

| Participant-Directed Waiver Service | Employer Authority | Budget Authority |
|---|--------------------|------------------|
| Attendant Care/Personal Assistance Services | | |

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8. **Financial Management Services.** Except in certain circumstances, financial management services are mandatory and integral to participant direction. A governmental entity and/or another third-party entity must perform necessary financial transactions on behalf of the waiver participant. *Select one:*

Yes. Financial Management Services are furnished through a third party entity. *(Complete item E-1-i).*

Specify whether governmental and/or private entities furnish these services. *Check each that applies:*

Governmental entities

Private entities

No. Financial Management Services are not furnished. Standard Medicaid payment mechanisms are used. *Do not complete Item E-1-i.*
not selected

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9. **Provision of Financial Management Services.** Financial management services (FMS) may be furnished as a waiver service or as an administrative activity. *Select one:*

FMS are covered as the waiver service specified in Appendix C1/C3

The waiver service entitled:

FMS are provided as an administrative activity.
not selected

Provide the following information

1. **Types of Entities:** Specify the types of entities that furnish FMS and the method of procuring these services:

Character Count: out of 12000

The operating agency currently uses an FMS to provide these services to participants. This is a sole source procurement with a governmental entity.

2. **Payment for FMS.** Specify how FMS entities are compensated for the administrative activities that they perform:

Character Count: out of 12000

Payment will occur to the FMS through an administrative grant from the operating agency. The payment does not come from the participant's budget.

3. **Scope of FMS.** Specify the scope of the supports that FMS entities provide *(check each that applies):*

Supports furnished when the participant is the employer of direct support workers:

Assists participant in verifying support worker citizenship status
Collects and processes timesheets of support workers
Processes payroll, withholding, filing and payment of applicable federal, state and local employment-related taxes and insurance
Other

Specify:

Character Count: out of 12000

The FMS will verify the participant's verification of the worker's minimum qualifications. UAP conducts all required background checks.

Supports furnished when the participant exercises budget authority:

Maintains a separate account for each participant's participant-directed budget
Tracks and reports participant funds, disbursements and the balance of participant funds
Processes and pays invoices for goods and services approved in the service plan
Provide participant with periodic reports of expenditures and the status of the participant-directed budget
Other services and supports

Specify:

Character Count: out of 12000

Additional functions/activities:

Executes and holds Medicaid provider agreements as authorized under a written agreement with the Medicaid agency
Receives and disburses funds for the payment of participant-directed services under an agreement with the Medicaid agency or operating agency
Provides other entities specified by the State with periodic reports of expenditures and the status of the participant-directed budget
Other

Specify:

Character Count: out of 12000

4. **Oversight of FMS Entities.** Specify the methods that are employed to: (a) monitor and assess the performance of FMS entities, including ensuring the integrity of the financial transactions that they perform; (b) the entity (or entities) responsible for this monitoring; and, (c) how frequently performance is assessed.

Character Count: out of 12000

An annual independent audit is required to verify that expenditures are accounted for and disbursed according to General Accepted Accounting Practices.

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10. **Information and Assistance in Support of Participant Direction.** In addition to financial management services, participant direction is facilitated when information and assistance are available to support participants in managing their services. These supports may be furnished by one or more entities, provided that there is no duplication. Specify the payment authority (or authorities) under which these supports are furnished and, where required, provide the additional information requested (*check each that applies*):

Case Management Activity. Information and assistance in support of participant direction are furnished as an element of Medicaid case management services.

Specify in detail the information and assistance that are furnished through case management for each participant direction opportunity under the waiver:

Character Count: out of 6000

Waiver Service Coverage. Information and assistance in support of participant direction are provided through the following waiver service coverage(s) specified in Appendix C-1/C-3 (check each that applies):

| Participant-Directed Waiver Service | Information and Assistance Provided through this Waiver Service Coverage |
|---|---|
| Health Education for Consumer-Directed Care | |
| Private Vehicle Modifications | |
| Physical Therapy | |
| Peer Guidance for Consumer-Directed Care | |
| Residential Habilitation | |
| Psychological Services | |
| Attendant Care/Personal Assistance Services | |
| Occupational Therapy | |
| Prescribed Drugs, except drugs furnished to participants under Medicare Part D benefits. | |
| Medicaid Waiver Nursing | |
| Respite Care Services | |
| Environmental Modifications | |
| Behavioral Support Services | |
| Prevocational Services | |
| Supported Employment Services | |
| Speech, hearing and language services | |
| Personal Emergency Response Systems | |
| Day Habilitation | |
| Medical Supplies, Equipment and Assistive Technology | |

Administrative Activity. Information and assistance in support of participant direction are furnished as an administrative activity.

Specify (a) the types of entities that furnish these supports; (b) how the supports are procured and compensated; (c) describe in detail the supports that are furnished for each participant direction opportunity under the waiver; (d) the methods and frequency of assessing the performance of the entities that furnish these supports; and, (e) the entity or entities responsible for assessing performance:

Character Count: out of 12000

The FMS supports are provided by a sole source contractor, which is one of the operation agency's Disabilities and Special Needs Boards. The operating agency will have a contract with the FMS to provide these supports. The supports include providing each participant with a checklist of responsibilities they have in hiring their workers, and verification of qualifications and requirements (this is accomplished jointly by UAP and the FMS). The operating agency will assess the performance of the FMS on a quarterly basis. The FMS is also required to have an independent financial audit every year.

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11. **Independent Advocacy** (*select one*).

No. Arrangements have not been made for independent advocacy.

Yes. Independent advocacy is available to participants who direct their services.

Describe the nature of this independent advocacy and how participants may access this advocacy:

Character Count: out of 12000

Protection and Advocacy of South Carolina has agreed to provide this advocacy when requested. The Service Coordinator will provide their phone number and contact names to participants.

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12. **Voluntary Termination of Participant Direction.** Describe how the State accommodates a participant who voluntarily terminates participant direction in order to receive services through an alternate service delivery method, including how the State assures continuity of services and participant health and welfare during the transition from participant direction:

Character Count: out of 12000

The Service Coordinator will accommodate the participant by providing a list of qualified providers they can select from to maintain service delivery. The Service Coordinator and the operating agency will work together to ensure the participant's health and safety in this transition and will work to avoid any break in service delivery.

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13. **Involuntary Termination of Participant Direction.** Specify the circumstances when the State will involuntarily terminate the use of participant direction and require the participant to receive provide-managed services instead, including how continuity of services and participant health and welfare is assured during the transition.

Character Count: out of 12000

If the participant or his representative are no longer able to communicate or if they experience cognitive deficits which keep them from acting in their or the participant's best interest, the Service Coordinator will transition services from participant direction to agency directed services. The authorization of agency directed services will be coordinated by the Service Coordinator. The operating agency will use written criteria in making this determination. The participant and/or representative will be informed of the opportunity and means of requesting a fair hearing, choosing an alternate provider and the plan will be revised to accommodate changes.

Appendix E: Participant Direction of Services

E-1: Overview (13 of 13)

14. **Goals for Participant Direction.** In the following table, provide the State's goals for each year that the waiver is in effect for the unduplicated number of waiver participants who are expected to elect each applicable participant direction opportunity. Annually, the State will report to CMS the number of participants who elect to direct their waiver services.

Table E-1-n

| | Employer Authority Only | Budget Authority Only or Budget Authority in Combination with Employer Authority |
|-------------|-------------------------|--|
| Waiver Year | Number of Participants | Number of Participants |
| Year 1 | | |
| Year 2 | | |
| Year 3 | | |
| Year 4 | | |
| Year 5 | | |

Appendix E: Participant Direction of Services

E-2: Opportunities for Participant Direction (1 of 6)

1. **Participant - Employer Authority** *Complete when the waiver offers the employer authority opportunity as indicated in Item E-1-b:*

1. **Participant Employer Status.** Specify the participant's employer status under the waiver. *Select one or both:*

Participant/Co-Employer. The participant (or the participant's representative) functions as the co-employer (managing employer) of workers who provide waiver services. An agency is the common law employer of participant-selected/recruited staff and performs necessary payroll and human resources functions. Supports are available to assist the participant in conducting employer-related functions.

Specify the types of agencies (a.k.a., agencies with choice) that serve as co-employers of participant-selected staff:

Character Count: out of 6000

Participant/Common Law Employer. The participant (or the participant's representative) is the common law employer of workers who provide waiver services. An IRS-Approved Fiscal/Employer Agent functions as the participant's agent in performing payroll and other employer responsibilities that are required by federal and state law. Supports are available to assist the participant in conducting employer-related functions.

2. **Participant Decision Making Authority.** The participant (or the participant's representative) has decision making authority over workers who provide waiver services. *Select one or more decision making authorities that participants exercise:*

Recruit staff

Refer staff to agency for hiring (co-employer)

Select staff from worker registry

Hire staff common law employer

Verify staff qualifications

Obtain criminal history and/or background investigation of staff

Specify how the costs of such investigations are compensated:

Character Count: out of 4000

The cost for background checks will be handled by UAP.

Specify additional staff qualifications based on participant needs and preferences so long as such qualifications are consistent with the qualifications specified in Appendix C-1/C-3.

Determine staff duties consistent with the service specifications in Appendix C-1/C-3.

Determine staff wages and benefits subject to State limits

Schedule staff

Orient and instruct staff in duties

Supervise staff

Evaluate staff performance

Verify time worked by staff and approve time sheets

Discharge staff (common law employer)

Discharge staff from providing services (co-employer)

Other

Specify:

Character Count: out of 4000

Appendix E: Participant Direction of Services

E-2: Opportunities for Participant-Direction (2 of 6)

2. **Participant - Budget Authority** Complete when the waiver offers the budget authority opportunity as indicated in Item E-1-b:

Answers provided in Appendix E-1-b indicate that you do not need to complete this section.

1. **Participant Decision Making Authority.** When the participant has budget authority, indicate the decision-making authority that the participant may exercise over the budget. *Select one or more:*

Reallocate funds among services included in the budget

Determine the amount paid for services within the State's established limits

Substitute service providers

Schedule the provision of services

Specify additional service provider qualifications consistent with the qualifications specified in Appendix C-1/C-3

Specify how services are provided, consistent with the service specifications contained in Appendix C-1/C-3

Identify service providers and refer for provider enrollment

Authorize payment for waiver goods and services
Review and approve provider invoices for services rendered
Other

Specify:

Character Count: out of 4000

Appendix E: Participant Direction of Services

E-2: Opportunities for Participant-Direction (3 of 6)

2. Participant - Budget Authority

Answers provided in Appendix E-1-b indicate that you do not need to complete this section.

2. **Participant-Directed Budget** Describe in detail the method(s) that are used to establish the amount of the participant-directed budget for waiver goods and services over which the participant has authority, including how the method makes use of reliable cost estimating information and is applied consistently to each participant. Information about these method(s) must be made publicly available.

Character Count: out of 12000

Appendix E: Participant Direction of Services

E-2: Opportunities for Participant-Direction (4 of 6)

2. Participant - Budget Authority

Answers provided in Appendix E-1-b indicate that you do not need to complete this section.

3. **Informing Participant of Budget Amount.** Describe how the State informs each participant of the amount of the participant-directed budget and the procedures by which the participant may request an adjustment in the budget amount.

Character Count: out of 12000

Appendix E: Participant Direction of Services

E-2: Opportunities for Participant-Direction (5 of 6)

2. Participant - Budget Authority

Answers provided in Appendix E-1-b indicate that you do not need to complete this section.

4. **Participant Exercise of Budget Flexibility.** *Select one:*

Modifications to the participant directed budget must be preceded by a change in the service plan.

The participant has the authority to modify the services included in the participant directed budget without prior approval.

Specify how changes in the participant-directed budget are documented, including updating the service plan. When prior review of changes is required in certain circumstances, describe the circumstances and specify the entity that reviews the proposed change:

Character Count: out of 12000

Appendix E: Participant Direction of Services

E-2: Opportunities for Participant-Direction (6 of 6)

2. Participant - Budget Authority

Answers provided in Appendix E-1-b indicate that you do not need to complete this section.

5. **Expenditure Safeguards.** Describe the safeguards that have been established for the timely prevention of the premature depletion of the participant-directed budget or to address potential service delivery problems that may be associated with budget underutilization and the entity (or entities) responsible for implementing these safeguards:

Character Count: out of 12000

Appendix F: Participant Rights

Appendix F-1: Opportunity to Request a Fair Hearing

The State provides an opportunity to request a Fair Hearing under 42 CFR Part 431, Subpart E to individuals: (a) who are not given the choice of home and community-based services as an alternative to the institutional care specified in Item 1-F of the request; (b) are denied the service(s) of their choice or the provider(s) of their choice; or, (c) whose services are denied, suspended, reduced or terminated. The State provides notice of action as required in 42 CFR §431.210.

Procedures for Offering Opportunity to Request a Fair Hearing. Describe how the individual (or his/her legal representative) is informed of the opportunity to request a fair hearing under 42 CFR Part 431, Subpart E. Specify the notice(s) that are used to offer individuals the opportunity to request a Fair Hearing. State laws, regulations, policies and notices referenced in the description are available to CMS upon request through the operating or Medicaid agency.

Character Count: out of 12000

An appeal may be made on behalf of a Waiver participant by a parent or legal guardian or the Waiver participant whenever any decision adversely affects his/her eligibility status and/or receipt of services. The Waiver participant or the parents/legal guardian of the Waiver participant is informed of this decision verbally and in writing when an adverse decision is made. The formal process of review and adjudication of actions/determinations is done under the authority of Section 1-23-310 et. seq., Code of Laws, State of South Carolina, 1976, as amended, and the Department of Health and Human Services regulations Section 126-150, et.seq. A Waiver participant or the parent/legal guardian of a Waiver participant who is dissatisfied with a level of care decision by DDSN and/or DHHS has the right to request an appeal of the action, as well as the right to request an appeal of DDSN's decision to reduce, suspend, deny or terminate a waiver service. Waiver participants may also appeal any issues of choice of provider and choices of HCBS vs. institutional services. A request for reconsideration of an adverse decision by DDSN must be sent in writing to the State Director at SCDDSN. A formal request for reconsideration must be made in writing within thirty (30) calendar days of receipt of written notification of the adverse decision. In order for Waiver benefits/services to continue during the reconsideration/appeal process, the Waiver participant or the Waiver participant's parent/legal guardian's request for

reconsideration must be submitted within ten (10) calendar days of the written notification of the adverse decision. The SCDDSN reconsideration process must be completed in its entirety before seeking an appeal from the South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (SCDHHS). If the Waiver participant or the Waiver participant's parent/legal guardian continues to be dissatisfied with decision a request for appeal can be made to SCDHHS. The Waiver participant or the Waiver participant's parent/legal guardian must write a letter requesting an appeal within 30 days of the date of the official written notification issued by DDSN. If the appeal is filed within ten (10) days, services may continue pending the outcome of the hearing. If the adverse action is upheld, the Waiver participant or the Waiver participant's parent/legal guardian may be required to repay Waiver benefits received during the reconsideration/appeal process. Information regarding the right to appeal and instructions for initiating an appeal are printed on the Notice of Suspension, Denial, Reduction and Termination Forms and the formal letter of denial from DDSN for eligibility. Also included on these forms is the information on continuation of services and possible liability if the participant elects to continue receiving services.

Appendix F: Participant-Rights

Appendix F-2: Additional Dispute Resolution Process

1. **Availability of Additional Dispute Resolution Process.** Indicate whether the State operates another dispute resolution process that offers participants the opportunity to appeal decisions that adversely affect their services while preserving their right to a Fair Hearing. *Select one:*

No. This Appendix does not apply

Yes. The State operates an additional dispute resolution process
not selected

2. **Description of Additional Dispute Resolution Process.** Describe the additional dispute resolution process, including: (a) the State agency that operates the process; (b) the nature of the process (i.e., procedures and timeframes), including the types of disputes addressed through the process; and, (c) how the right to a Medicaid Fair Hearing is preserved when a participant elects to make use of the process: State laws, regulations, and policies referenced in the description are available to CMS upon request through the operating or Medicaid agency.

Character Count: out of 12000

Appendix F: Participant-Rights

Appendix F-3: State Grievance/Complaint System

1. **Operation of Grievance/Complaint System.** *Select one:*

No. This Appendix does not apply

Yes. The State operates a grievance/complaint system that affords participants the opportunity to register grievances or complaints concerning the provision of services under this waiver
not selected

2. **Operational Responsibility.** Specify the State agency that is responsible for the operation of the grievance/complaint system:

Character Count: out of 4000

The Department of Disabilities and Special Needs operates the Complaint/Grievance System.

3. **Description of System.** Describe the grievance/complaint system, including: (a) the types of grievances/complaints that participants may register; (b) the process and timelines for addressing grievances/complaints; and, (c) the mechanisms that are used to resolve grievances/complaints. State laws, regulations, and policies referenced in the description are available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

Character Count: out of 12000

Complaints are taken at the Department of Disabilities and Special Needs. A Waiver participant or the Waiver participant's parent/legal guardian are notified of their right to complain/grieve through a Participant's Rights and

Responsibilities statement reviewed and signed at the initial visit during waiver entry. When a Waiver participant or the Waiver participant's parent/legal guardian elects to file a grievance or make a complaint, the Waiver participant or the Waiver participant's parent/legal guardian is informed that doing so is not a prerequisite or substitute for a Fair Hearing. Each applicant for services or participant has the right to make complaints regarding services or treatment. Every effort will be made to resolve concerns as quickly as possible and at the most immediate staff level that can properly address the concern. A three-step process is established to ensure a fair and impartial review of complaints. The written grievance/appeal will be made to the HASCI Division Director. The HASCI Division Director or designee shall investigate the concern. The HASCI Division Director shall issue a written decision within ten (10) working days of receipt of the written grievance/appeal. If the grievance/appeal is resolved, it shall be acknowledged in writing and documented in the consumer's record. If the Waiver participant or the Waiver participant's parent/legal guardian is not satisfied, he/she may appeal in writing to the Associate State Director for Policy. The Associate State Director for Policy shall review the facts of the case and all supporting documents, consult with the HASCI Division, and render a written decision within ten (10) working days. If the grievance/appeal is resolved, it shall be acknowledged in writing and documented in the participant's record. If the Waiver participant or the Waiver participant's parent/legal guardian is not satisfied with this decision, he/she may appeal in writing. All information regarding reconsiderations and appeals for the HASCI Waiver is in Appendix F-1 of this application.

Appendix G: Participant Safeguards

Appendix G-1: Response to Critical Events or Incidents

1. **Critical Event or Incident Reporting and Management Process.** Indicate whether the State operates Critical Event or Incident Reporting and Management Process that enables the State to collect information on sentinel events occurring in the waiver program. Select one:

not selected

Yes. The State operates a Critical Event or Incident Reporting and Management Process (complete Items b through e)

No. This Appendix does not apply (do not complete Items b through e)

If the State does not operate a Critical Event or Incident Reporting and Management Process, describe the process that the State uses to elicit information on the health and welfare of individuals served through the program.

Character Count: out of 12000

2. **State Critical Event or Incident Reporting Requirements.** Specify the types of critical events or incidents (including alleged abuse, neglect and exploitation) that the State requires to be reported for review and follow-up action by an appropriate authority, the individuals and/or entities that are required to report such events and incidents and the timelines for reporting. State laws, regulations, and policies that are referenced are available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

Character Count: out of 24000

The South Carolina Child Protection Reform Act requires the reporting and investigating of suspected abuse, neglect and exploitation (ANE) of a vulnerable child (under the age of eighteen) to the Department of Social Services (DSS)/Child Protective Services (CPS) and local and state law enforcement. The South Carolina Omnibus Adult Protection Act requires the reporting and investigating of suspected ANE of a vulnerable adult (age 18 and above) to DSS/Adult Protective Services (APS) and local and state law enforcement. The appropriate reporting agency is determined by the age of the victim, suspected perpetrator, and the location of the alleged incident. These reports can be made by phone or written form. All verbal reports shall subsequently be submitted in writing. These incidents are defined as physical abuse, or psychological abuse, threatened or sexual abuse, neglect, and exploitation. Mandatory reporters have a duty to report if they have information, facts or evidence that would lead a reasonable person to believe that a child or vulnerable adult has been or is at risk for ANE. Mandated reporters are defined as professional staff, employees, and volunteers or contract provider agencies having a legal responsibility under state law to report suspected ANE to state investigative agencies. Mandated reporters must make the report within 24 hours or the next business day after discovery of the ANE. The reporting of Critical Incidents as defined by DDSN Directive(100-09-DD) must be followed. A critical incident is an "unusual, unfavorable occurrence that is: a) not consistent with routine operations; b) has harmful or otherwise negative effects involving people with disabilities, employees, or property; and c) occurs in a DDSN Regional Center, DSN Board facility, other service provider facility, or during the direct provision of DDSN funded services (e.g., if a child receiving service coordination services sustains a serious injury while the service coordinator is in the child's home, then it should be reported as a critical incident; however if the service coordinator is not in the home when the injury occurred then it would not be reported)". An example of a critical incident includes but is not limited to possession of firearms, weapons or explosives or consumer accidents which result in serious injury requiring hospitalization or medical treatment from

injuries received. Reports of critical incidents are required to be made to the operating agency within 24 hours or the next business day of the event. In addition, DDSN Directive 534-02-DD specifically addresses the procedures for preventing and responding to ANE. This directive sets the reporting requirements of state law and also identifies DDSN and its contract provider agencies' legal responsibility for reporting ANE. The directive also identifies the appropriate state investigative agencies with statutory authority to receive and investigate reports of suspected ANE and identifies the administrative and management functions of DDSN and its network of contracted service providers.

3. **Participant Training and Education.** Describe how training and/or information is provided to participants (and/or families or legal representatives, as appropriate) concerning protections from abuse, neglect, and exploitation, including how participants (and/or families or legal representatives, as appropriate) can notify appropriate authorities or entities when the participant may have experienced abuse, neglect or exploitation.

Character Count: out of 12000

Waiver participants and/or their family members and legal representatives are provided written information about what constitutes abuse, how to report, and to whom to report. They are informed of their rights annually; this information is explained by their Service Coordinators.

4. **Responsibility for Review of and Response to Critical Events or Incidents.** Specify the entity (or entities) that receives reports of critical events or incidents specified in item G-1-a, the methods that are employed to evaluate such reports, and the processes and time-frames for responding to critical events or incidents, including conducting investigations.

Character Count: out of 12000

The reporting of critical incidents should follow the procedures outlined in DDSN Directive 100-09-DD. DDSN Directive 534-02-DD specifically addresses the procedures for preventing and responding to ANE. DDSN Directive 100-09-DD sets forth the reporting requirements of state law and also identifies DDSN and its contract provider agencies' legal responsibility for reporting ANE. This directive also identifies the appropriate state investigative agencies with statutory authority to receive and investigate reports of suspected ANE and identifies the administrative and management functions of DDSN and its network of contracted service providers. When there is reason to believe that a child has been abused, neglected, or exploited, in the home or other community setting, employees and other mandated reporters have a duty to report according to established procedures and state law. DSS is the mandated agency to investigate suspected ANE in these settings. DDSN and its contract provider agencies shall be available to provide information and assistance to DSS. Procedures have been established for DDSN to assist contract provider agencies in resolving issues with DSS regarding intake referrals and investigations. DSS will conduct a complete investigation and contact law enforcement if criminal violations are suspected. If the investigation is substantiated, notification is sent to appropriate agencies for personnel and other required actions to be taken. If the alleged perpetrator is also employed by DDSN a contract provider agency, or the family, and ANE is substantiated, the employee will be terminated. When there is reason to believe that an adult has been abused, neglected or exploited, mandated reporters have a duty to make a report to DSS or local law enforcement. All alleged abuse and other critical events are also reported to DDSN within 24 hours. DDSN works closely with DSS and local law enforcement regarding applicable critical incidents and/or ANE allegations. On a regular basis, DDSN quality management staff review critical incidents and ANE reports, analyze data for trends, and recommend changes in policy, practice, or training that may reduce the risk of such events occurring in the future. Statewide trend data is provided to DSN Boards and contracted service providers to enhance awareness activities as a prevention strategy. Each regional center, DSN Board or contracted service provider will also utilize their respective risk managers and committees to regularly review all critical incidents for trends and to determine if the recommendations made in the final written reports were actually implemented and are in effect. Statewide trend data will be provided to DHHS on an annual basis.

5. **Responsibility for Oversight of Critical Incidents and Events.** Identify the State agency (or agencies) responsible for overseeing the reporting of and response to critical incidents or events that affect waiver participants, how this oversight is conducted, and how frequently.

Character Count: out of 12000

The DDSN Critical Incident and ANE directives set forth the reporting requirements of state law and also identify DDSN and its contract provider agencies' legal responsibility for reporting ANE. The directive, 100-09-DD, also identifies the appropriate state investigative agencies with statutory authority to receive and investigate reports of suspected ANE and identifies the administrative and management functions of DDSN and its network of contracted service providers. DSS Child Protective Services and local and state law enforcement are responsible for overseeing the reporting of and response to allegations of ANE. In addition to investigations by the State Ombudsman, DSS, and law enforcement, other agencies have jurisdiction to make inquiry into incidents of ANE and may conduct their own investigation. These agencies include: SLED/Child Fatalities Review Office: The Child Fatalities Review Office of the State Law Enforcement Division will investigate all deaths involving abuse, physical and sexual trauma as well as suspicious and questionable deaths of children. The State Child Fatalities Review Office will also review the involvement that various agencies may have had with the child prior to death. Protection and Advocacy for People with Disabilities, Inc.: Protection and Advocacy for People with Disabilities (P&A) has statutory authority to investigate abuse and neglect of people with disabilities. Vulnerable Adult Fatalities Review: The Vulnerable Adult Fatalities (VAF) Review Office of the State Law Enforcement Division (SLED) will investigate all deaths involving abuse, physical and sexual trauma, as well as, suspicious and

questionable deaths of vulnerable adults. The State Vulnerable Adult Investigations Unit (VAIU) will also review the involvement that various agencies may have had with the person prior to death. In addition, the DDSN Division of Quality Management maintains information on the incidence of ANE, including trend analyses to identify and respond to patterns of abuse, neglect, or exploitation. All data collected is considered confidential and is used in developing abuse prevention programs. All reports of ANE are reviewed for consistency and completeness to assure the victim is safe, and to take immediate personnel action. DDSN requires that all identified alleged perpetrators be placed on administrative leave without pay until the investigation is completed. Periodic audits of the abuse reporting system are conducted to ensure compliance with state law. All findings from trending analysis will be shared with DHHS on an annual basis.

Appendix G: Participant Safeguards

Appendix G-2: Safeguards Concerning Restraints and Restrictive Interventions (1 of 2)

1. Use of Restraints or Seclusion. *(Select one):*

The State does not permit or prohibits the use of restraints or seclusion

Specify the State agency (or agencies) responsible for detecting the unauthorized use of restraints or seclusion and how this oversight is conducted and its frequency:

Character Count: out of 12000

The use of restraints or seclusion is permitted during the course of the delivery of waiver services. Complete Items G-2-a-i and G-2-a-ii.

not selected

- 1. Safeguards Concerning the Use of Restraints or Seclusion.** Specify the safeguards that the State has established concerning the use of each type of restraint (i.e., personal restraints, drugs used as restraints, mechanical restraints or seclusion). State laws, regulations, and policies that are referenced are available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

Character Count: out of 12000

In accordance with DDSN policy, restraints may be employed only for the purpose of protecting the person or others from harm and only when it is determined to be the least restrictive alternative possible to meet the person's needs. The following types of restraints may be used: (1.) Planned restraint (mechanical or manual) when approved by the person his/her legal guardian, the program director/supervisor, an approved provider of behavior support services, the Human Rights Committee (HRC) and the Executive Director. (2.) Mechanical restraints to allow healing of injury produced by an inappropriate behavior when approved by the person or his/her legal guardian, the program director/supervisor, an approved provider of behavior support services, the HRC, and the Executive Director. (3.) Psychotropic medication when approved by the person or legal guardian, the program director/supervisor, an approved provider of behavior support services, the HRC, and the Executive Director. The use of the following is prohibited by DDSN policy: (1.) Procedures, devices, or medication used for disciplinary purposes, for the convenience of the staff or as a substitute for necessary supports for the person; (2.) Seclusion (defined as the placement of an individual alone in a locked room); (3.) Enclosed cribs; (4.) Programs that result in a nutritionally inadequate diet or the denial of a regularly scheduled meal; (5.) Having a service recipient discipline other people with disabilities; (6.) Prone (i.e., face down on the floor with arms folded under the chest) basket-hold restraint; (7.) Timeout rooms; and, (8.) Adversive consequence (defined as the application of startling, unpleasant, or painful consequences) unless specifically approved by the State Director of DDSN or his/her designee.

- 2. State Oversight Responsibility.** Specify the State agency (or agencies) responsible for overseeing the use of restraints or seclusion and ensuring that State safeguards concerning their use are followed and how such oversight is conducted and its frequency:

Character Count: out of 12000

DDSN is responsible for oversight of the use of restraints. DDSN policies dictate the responsibilities of service providers and the Human Rights Committee (HRC) regarding monitoring programs that include restraint. DDSN monitors compliance with policies through its compliance reviews conducted by the QIO and through its licensing reviews. Compliance review and licensing review reports are provided to DHHS per the requirements of the MOA. Traditional survey methods including record reviews, staff interviews, and observation are used to detect unauthorized use, over use, or inappropriate/ineffective use of restraint procedures.

Appendix G: Participant Safeguards

Appendix G-2: Safeguards Concerning Restraints and Restrictive Interventions (2 of 2)

2. **Use of Restrictive Interventions.** *(Select one):*

The State does not permit or prohibits the use of restrictive interventions

Specify the State agency (or agencies) responsible for detecting the unauthorized use of restrictive interventions and how this oversight is conducted and its frequency:

Character Count: out of 12000

The use of restrictive interventions is permitted during the course of the delivery of waiver services Complete Items G-2-b-i and G-2-b-ii.

not selected

1. **Safeguards Concerning the Use of Restrictive Interventions.** Specify the safeguards that the State has in effect concerning the use of interventions that restrict participant movement, participant access to other individuals, locations or activities, restrict participant rights or employ aversive methods (not including restraints or seclusion) to modify behavior. State laws, regulations, and policies referenced in the specification are available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency.

Character Count: out of 20000

DDSN policy allows the use of: (1.) Restrictive procedures (procedures that limit freedom or cause loss of personal property or rights excluding restraint) when approved by the person, his/her legal guardian, the program director/supervision, an approved behavior support provider, and the Human Rights Committee (HRC). (2.)

Adverse consequences which are defined as startling, unpleasant or painful consequences, consequences that have a potentially noxious effect, when approved by the person or his/her legal guardian, the physician, an approved provider of behavior support services, HRC, the Executive Director, and the State Director of DDSN. Such procedures may only be employed to protect the person or others from harm and only when it is determined to be the least restrictive alternative possible to meet the needs of the person.

2. **State Oversight Responsibility.** Specify the State agency (or agencies) responsible for monitoring and overseeing the use of restrictive interventions and how this oversight is conducted and its frequency:

Character Count: out of 20000

DDSN is responsible for oversight of the use of the restrictive procedures. DDSN policies dictate the responsibilities of service providers and the HRC regarding monitoring programs that include restrictive procedures. DDSN monitors compliance with policies through its contract compliance reviews conducted by the QIO and through its licensing reviews. When adverse consequences are approved, in addition to monitoring through contractual compliance and licensing reviews, the procedures are monitored by a DDSN state office staff person. DDSN Standards and Directives referenced include the following: Behavior Support Plans 600-05-DD Human Rights Committee 535-02-DD

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Appendix G-3: Medication Management and Administration (1 of 2)

This Appendix must be completed when waiver services are furnished to participants who are served in licensed or unlicensed living arrangements where a provider has round-the-clock responsibility for the health and welfare of residents. The Appendix does not need to be completed when waiver participants are served exclusively in their own personal residences or in the home of a family member.

1. **Applicability.** Select one:

No. This Appendix is not applicable (do not complete the remaining items)

Yes. This Appendix applies (complete the remaining items)

not selected

2. Medication Management and Follow-Up

1. **Responsibility.** Specify the entity (or entities) that have ongoing responsibility for monitoring participant medication regimens, the methods for conducting monitoring, and the frequency of monitoring.

Character Count: out of 12000

DDSN is responsible for the monitoring of participant medication regimes. This monitoring occurs as part of DDSN's licensing reviews of providers. The review of the tracking, trending and analyzing of this information occurs as part of the QIO review.

2. **Methods of State Oversight and Follow-Up.** Describe: (a) the method(s) that the State uses to ensure that participant medications are managed appropriately, including: (a) the identification of potentially harmful practices (e.g., the concurrent use of contraindicated medications); (b) the method(s) for following up on potentially harmful practices; and, (c) the State agency (or agencies) that is responsible for follow-up and oversight.

Character Count: out of 12000

DDSN has established a procedural directive, "Medication Error Reporting," to standardize the definition and reporting system for medication errors/events in order to improve the health and safety of DDSN consumers. DDSN recognizes that medication errors represent one of the largest categories of treatment-caused risks to consumers. As a result, every agency that provides services and supports to people must have a medication error/event reporting, analyzing, and follow-up capability, as part of their overall risk management program. Safe medication requires training, experience, and concentration on the part of the person dispensing the medication. The provider's system of tracking, trending, and analyzing their Medication Error data is reviewed by the QIO. The National Coordinating Council for Medication Error Reporting and Prevention (NCC MERP) has urged agencies, institutions, and researchers to utilize this standard definition of medication errors. DDSN has adopted this definition. (For more information on NCC MERP, please see www.nccmerp.org.) "A medication error is any preventable event that may cause or lead to inappropriate medication use or patient harm while the medication is in the control of the health care professional, patient, or consumer. Such events may be related to professional practice, health care products, procedures, and systems, including prescribing; order communication; product labeling, packaging, and nomenclature; compounding; dispensing; administration; education; monitoring; and use." DDSN has followed the general guidelines of the NCC MERP "Taxonomy of Medication Errors" in developing a Medication Error/Event Report Form. DDSN Service Providers are required to develop their own data collection system to track, monitor and analyze medication errors/events. At the provider level, reactive and proactive analysis of trends should be coupled with appropriate corrective actions. These actions may include, but are not limited to, additional training (including Medication Technician Training), changes in procedure, securing additional technical assistance from a consulting pharmacist, and improving levels of supervision. DDSN is the state agency responsible for follow-up and monitoring and, as such, may request all data related to medication error/event reporting at any time or during any of the Service Provider's reviews.

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Appendix G-3: Medication Management and Administration (2 of 2)

3. Medication Administration by Waiver Providers

1. **Provider Administration of Medications.** *Select one:*

Not applicable. (do not complete the remaining items)

Waiver providers are responsible for the administration of medications to waiver participants who cannot self-administer and/or have responsibility to oversee participant self-administration of medications. (complete the remaining items)

not selected

2. **State Policy.** Summarize the State policies that apply to the administration of medications by waiver providers or waiver provider responsibilities when participants self-administer medications, including (if applicable) policies concerning medication administration by non-medical waiver provider personnel. State laws, regulations, and policies referenced in the specification are available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

Character Count: out of 12000

DDSN was granted the statutory authority for selected unlicensed persons to administer medications to DDSN Service Recipients in community settings. DDSN policy requires that staff receive training on medication assistance/administration prior to service. DDSN sets forth the minimum requirements for medication administration or assistance. DDSN requires that errors in administration of medications to service recipients must be reported, recorded, and that trends be analyzed. Additionally, both reactive and proactive follow-up activities following reports must be completed and documented. DDSN monitors the administration of medication through licensing reviews and monitors compliance with medication error reporting through the agency's contract compliance reviews. Additionally, DDSN recommends that all providers utilize an established Medication Technician Certification program. The Standards or Directives referenced include: Employee Orientation, Pre-Service and Annual Training (567-01-DD) Residential Certification Standards Day Facilities Licensing Standards Medication Error/Vent Reporting (100-29-DD) Medication Technician Certification (603-13-DD)

3. **Medication Error Reporting.** *Select one of the following:*

Providers that are responsible for medication administration are required to both record and report medication errors to a State agency (or agencies).

Complete the following three items:

(a) Specify State agency (or agencies) to which errors are reported:

Character Count: out of 12000

(b) Specify the types of medication errors that providers are required to record:

Character Count: out of 12000

(c) Specify the types of medication errors that providers must report to the State:

Character Count: out of 12000

Providers responsible for medication administration are required to record medication errors but make information about medication errors available only when requested by the State.

Specify the types of medication errors that providers are required to record:

Character Count: out of 12000

Significant Medication Errors are reported to DDSN as a Critical Incident. All Medication Error/Event reports are subject to periodic review by DDSN or its QIO, or its Licensing inspection contractor, SCDHEC. DDSN has adopted the NCC MERP definition of Medication Errors, "A medication error is any preventable event that may cause or lead to inappropriate medication use or patient harm while the medication is in the control of the health care professional, patient or consumer." DDSN has followed the general guidelines of the NCC MERP "Taxonomy of Medication Errors" in developing a Medication Error/Event Report Form. DDSN Service Providers are required to develop their own data collection system to track, monitor and analyze medication errors/events. At the provider level reactive and proactive analysis of trends should be coupled with appropriate corrective actions. These actions may include, but are not limited to, additional training (including medication technician certification), changes in procedure, securing additional technical assistance from a consulting pharmacist, and improving levels of supervision. DDSN may request all data related to medication error/event reporting at any time or during any of the Service Provider's reviews. Types of Medication Errors/Events: According to the above definition, there are some kinds of medication errors that are outside the control of DDSN and its network of service providers (e.g., naming; compounding; packaging, etc.). If provider agency staff discovers errors of this type, the pharmacist should be notified immediately in order for corrective action to occur. The types of medication errors/events that are within the direct control of DDSN and its network of service providers, and therefore of most interest, can be divided into three categories: 1.) bonafied or "true" medication errors; 2.) transcription and documentation errors, and 3.) "red flag" events. 1.) MEDICATION ERRORS Wrong person given a medication Wrong medication given Wrong dosage given Wrong route of administration Wrong time Medication not given by staff (i.e., omission) Medication given without a prescriber's order 2.) TRANSCRIPTION AND DOCUMENTATION ERRORS Transcription error (i.e., from prescriber's order to label, or from label to MAR) Medication not documented (i.e., not signed off) 3.) RED FLAG EVENTS Person refuses medication (this event should prompt the organization to make every effort to determine why the person refused the medication. Specific action taken should be documented. Each organization must develop a reporting system for these events. Reporting Procedure: The first person finding the medication error is responsible to

report the error or event to supervisory/administrative staff, such as the employee's supervisor, program director, nurse in charge, or Executive Director/Facility Administrator. A medication error resulting in serious adverse reactions must be considered a critical incident and reported according to policy. The person finding the error or identifying the event completes the Medication Error/Event Report form and submits it to the supervisor/administrator. The Provider Administration will assure this data is available to the quality assurance and risk management staff/team for analysis, trend identification, and follow up activity as needed. Each provider must adopt a method for documenting follow-up activities such as utilizing memoranda or the minutes of risk management/quality assurance meetings. This information must be included as part of the data collection system related to medication error/event reporting.

not selected

4. **State Oversight Responsibility.** Specify the State agency (or agencies) responsible for monitoring the performance of waiver providers in the administration of medications to waiver participants and how monitoring is performed and its frequency.

Character Count: out of 12000

DDSN is responsible for monitoring the performance of Waiver providers in the administration of medications. DDSN requires all providers to follow the policy/procedures outlined in the previous responses. DDSN may request all data related to the medication error/event reporting at any time or during any of the Service Provider's reviews. In addition, DHHS may review the Provider documentation at any time.

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Quality Improvement: Health and Welfare

As a distinct component of the State's quality improvement strategy, provide information in the following fields to detail the State's methods for discovery and remediation.

1. **Methods for Discovery: Health and Welfare**

The State, on an ongoing basis, identifies, addresses and seeks to prevent the occurrence of abuse, neglect and exploitation.

1. **Performance Measures**

For each performance measure/indicator the State will use to assess compliance with the statutory assurance complete the following. Where possible, include numerator/denominator. Each performance measure must be specific to this waiver (i.e., data presented must be waiver specific).

For each performance measure, provide information on the aggregated data that will enable the State to analyze and assess progress toward the performance measure. In this section provide information on the method by which each source of data is analyzed statistically/deductively or inductively, how themes are identified or conclusions drawn, and how recommendations are formulated, where appropriate.

Performance Measure:

Number and proportion of incidents of reported abuse, neglect, and exploitation.

Data Source (Select one):

Other

If 'Other' is selected,
specify:

DDSN Reports

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| Responsible Party for data collection/generation (check each that applies): | Frequency of data collection/generation (check each that applies): |
| State Medicaid Agency | Weekly |
| Operating Agency | Monthly |
| Sub-State Entity | Quarterly |
| Other Specify: | Annually |
| | Continuously and Ongoing |
| | Other Specify: |

Data Aggregation and Analysis:

| Responsible Party for data aggregation and analysis (check each that applies): | Frequency of data aggregation and analysis (check each that applies): |
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| State Medicaid Agency | Weekly |
| Operating Agency | Monthly |
| Sub-State Entity | Quarterly |
| Other Specify: | Annually |
| | Continuously and Ongoing |
| | Other Specify: |

Performance Measure:

Number of incidents of abuse, neglect, or exploitation that are reported within required timeframes.

Data Source (Select one):

Other

If 'Other' is selected,
specify:

DDSN Reports

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| Responsible Party for data collection/generation (check each that applies): | Frequency of data collection/generation (check each that applies): |
| State Medicaid Agency | Weekly |
| Operating Agency | Monthly |
| Sub-State Entity | Quarterly |
| Other Specify: | Annually |
| | Continuously and Ongoing |
| | Other Specify: |

Data Aggregation and Analysis:

| Responsible Party for data aggregation and analysis (check each that applies): | Frequency of data aggregation and analysis (check each that applies): |
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| State Medicaid Agency | Weekly |
| Operating Agency | Monthly |
| Sub-State Entity | Quarterly |
| Other Specify: | Annually |
| | Continuously and Ongoing |
| | Other Specify: |

Performance Measure:

Number of incidents of abuse, neglect, or exploitation in which the internal review was completed within required timeframe.

Data Source (Select one):

Other

If 'Other' is selected,
specify:

DDSN reports

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| Responsible Party for data collection/generation (check each that applies): | Frequency of data collection/generation (check each that applies): |
| State Medicaid Agency | Weekly |
| Operating Agency | Monthly |
| Sub-State Entity | Quarterly |
| Other Specify: | Annually |
| | Continuously and Ongoing |
| | Other Specify: |

Data Aggregation and Analysis:

| Responsible Party for data aggregation and analysis (check each that applies): | Frequency of data aggregation and analysis (check each that applies): |
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| State Medicaid Agency | Weekly |
| Operating Agency | Monthly |
| Sub-State Entity | Quarterly |
| Other Specify: | Annually |
| | Continuously and Ongoing |
| | Other Specify: |

Performance Measure:

Number and proportion of substantiated incidents of abuse, neglect, and exploitation.

Data Source (Select one):

Other

If 'Other' is selected,
specify:

DDSN reports

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| Responsible Party for data collection/generation (check each that applies): | Frequency of data collection/generation (check each that applies): |
| State Medicaid Agency | Weekly |
| Operating Agency | Monthly |
| Sub-State Entity | Quarterly |
| Other Specify: | Annually |
| | Continuously and Ongoing |
| | Other Specify: |

Data Aggregation and Analysis:

| Responsible Party for data aggregation and analysis (check each that applies): | Frequency of data aggregation and analysis (check each that applies): |
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| State Medicaid Agency | Weekly |
| Operating Agency | Monthly |
| Sub-State Entity | Quarterly |
| Other Specify: | Annually |
| | Continuously and Ongoing |
| | Other Specify: |

Performance Measure:

Proportion of participants who report concerns by type.

Data Source (Select one):

Other

If 'Other' is selected,
specify:

DDSN reports

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| Responsible Party for data collection/generation (check each that applies): | Frequency of data collection/generation (check each that applies): |
| State Medicaid Agency | Weekly |
| Operating Agency | Monthly |
| Sub-State Entity | Quarterly |
| Other Specify: | Annually |
| | Continuously and Ongoing |
| | Other Specify: |

Data Aggregation and Analysis:

| Responsible Party for data aggregation and analysis (check each that applies): | Frequency of data aggregation and analysis (check each that applies): |
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| State Medicaid Agency | Weekly |
| Operating Agency | Monthly |
| Sub-State Entity | Quarterly |
| Other Specify: | Annually |
| | Continuously and Ongoing |
| | Other Specify: |

Performance Measure:

Number and proportion of critical incidents reported (including mortality, injuries, and client to client altercations).

Data Source (Select one):

Other

If 'Other' is selected,
specify:

DDSN reports

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| Responsible Party for data collection/generation (check each that applies): | Frequency of data collection/generation (check each that applies): |
| State Medicaid Agency | Weekly |
| Operating Agency | Monthly |
| Sub-State Entity | Quarterly |
| Other Specify: | Annually |
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| Responsible Party for data aggregation and analysis (check each that applies): | Frequency of data aggregation and analysis (check each that applies): |
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| State Medicaid Agency | Weekly |
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| Sub-State Entity | Quarterly |
| Other Specify: | Annually |
| | Continuously and Ongoing |
| | Other Specify: |

2. If applicable, in the textbox below provide any necessary additional information on the strategies employed by the State to discover/identify problems/issues within the waiver program, including frequency and parties responsible.

Character Count: out of 6000

2. Methods for Remediation/Fixing Individual Problems

1. Describe the State's method for addressing individual problems as they are discovered. Include information regarding responsible parties and GENERAL methods for problem correction. In addition, provide information on the methods used by the State to document these items.

Character Count: out of 6000

As abuse, neglect, and exploitation are identified, DDSN is taking action to protect the health and welfare of the participant. DDSN is collecting data and analyzing for trends, and strategies are developed and implemented to prevent future occurrences. DDSN will provide this information to DHHS on an annual basis.

2. Remediation Data Aggregation

Remediation-related Data Aggregation and Analysis (including trend identification)

| Responsible Party (check each that applies): | Frequency of data aggregation and analysis (check each that applies): |
|--|---|
| State Medicaid Agency | Weekly |
| Operating Agency | Monthly |
| Sub-State Entity | Quarterly |
| Other Specify: | Annually |
| | Continuously and Ongoing |
| | Other Specify: |

3. Timelines

When the State does not have all elements of the Quality Improvement Strategy in place, provide timelines to design methods for discovery and remediation related to the assurance of Health and Welfare that are currently non-operational.

No

Yes

not selected

Please provide a detailed strategy for assuring Health and Welfare, the specific timeline for implementing identified strategies, and the parties responsible for its operation.

Character Count: out of 6000

Appendix H: Quality Improvement Strategy (1 of 2)

Under §1915(c) of the Social Security Act and 42 CFR §441.302, the approval of an HCBS waiver requires that CMS determine that the State has made satisfactory assurances concerning the protection of participant health and welfare, financial accountability

and other elements of waiver operations. Renewal of an existing waiver is contingent upon review by CMS and a finding by CMS that the assurances have been met. By completing the HCBS waiver application, the State specifies how it has designed the waiver's critical processes, structures and operational features in order to meet these assurances.

- Quality Improvement is a critical operational feature that an organization employs to continually determine whether it operates in accordance with the approved design of its program, meets statutory and regulatory assurances and requirements, achieves desired outcomes, and identifies opportunities for improvement.

CMS recognizes that a state's waiver Quality Improvement Strategy may vary depending on the nature of the waiver target population, the services offered, and the waiver's relationship to other public programs, and will extend beyond regulatory requirements. However, for the purpose of this application, the State is expected to have, at the minimum, systems in place to measure and improve its own performance in meeting six specific waiver assurances and requirements.

It may be more efficient and effective for a Quality Improvement Strategy to span multiple waivers and other long-term care services. CMS recognizes the value of this approach and will ask the state to identify other waiver programs and long-term care services that are addressed in the Quality Improvement Strategy.

Quality Improvement Strategy: Minimum Components

The Quality Improvement Strategy that will be in effect during the period of the approved waiver is described throughout the waiver in the appendices corresponding to the statutory assurances and sub-assurances. Other documents cited must be available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if appropriate).

In the QMS discovery and remediation sections throughout the application (located in Appendices A, B, C, D, G, and I) , a state spells out:

- The evidence based discovery activities that will be conducted for each of the six major waiver assurances;
- The *remediation* activities followed to correct individual problems identified in the implementation of each of the assurances;

In Appendix H of the application, a State describes (1) the *system improvement* activities followed in response to aggregated, analyzed discovery and remediation information collected on each of the assurances; (2) the correspondent *roles/responsibilities* of those conducting assessing and prioritizing improving system corrections and improvements; and (3) the processes the state will follow to continuously *assess the effectiveness of the QMS* and revise it as necessary and appropriate.

If the State's Quality Improvement Strategy is not fully developed at the time the waiver application is submitted, the state may provide a work plan to fully develop its Quality Improvement Strategy, including the specific tasks the State plans to undertake during the period the waiver is in effect, the major milestones associated with these tasks, and the entity (or entities) responsible for the completion of these tasks.

When the Quality Improvement Strategy spans more than one waiver and/or other types of long-term care services under the Medicaid State plan, specify the control numbers for the other waiver programs and/or identify the other long-term services that are addressed in the Quality Improvement Strategy. In instances when the QMS spans more than one waiver, the State must be able to stratify information that is related to each approved waiver program.

Appendix H: Quality Improvement Strategy (2 of 2)

H-1: Systems Improvement

1. System Improvements

1. Describe the process(es) for trending, prioritizing, and implementing system improvements (i.e., design changes) prompted as a result of an analysis of discovery and remediation information.

The objective of DDSN's Quality Management Systems is to identify positive and negative trends allowing for necessary adjustments to enhance the overall performance of the system. DDSN's system improvement activities are designed to ensure that they address all six (6) CMS assurances based on performance measures. Timely discovery and remediation aggregated data allows the state to take the necessary action to improve the system's performance, thereby learning how to improve meaningful outcomes for waiver participants. DDSN is able to stratify information related to each approved waiver program and is also able to stratify by provider, service group, and assurance. DDSN's Quality Management System has strong formal processes and activities in place for trending, prioritizing, and implementing system improvements. DDSN is continuously reviewing and updating its QMS processes to ensure it is responsive to the quality assurances. DDSN provides DHHS with the results of all quality assurance review activities throughout the year. This includes, but is not limited to, critical incident reports, results of all QIO provider reviews and DHEC licensing/certification reviews.

2. System Improvement Activities

| Responsible Party (check each that applies): | Frequency of Monitoring and Analysis (check each that applies): |
|---|--|
| State Medicaid Agency | Weekly |
| Operating Agency | Monthly |
| Sub-State Entity | Quarterly |
| Quality Improvement Committee | Annually |
| Other Specify: DHEC | Other Specify: DDSN QIO reviews are conducted every 12-18 months per past provider performance. |

2. System Design Changes

1. Describe the process for monitoring and analyzing the effectiveness of system design changes. Include a description of the various roles and responsibilities involved in the processes for monitoring & assessing system design changes. If applicable, include the State's targeted standards for systems improvement.

Character Count: out of 12000

DHHS and DDSN meet periodically to monitor the need for any system design changes. Any changes recommended to the overall system's design or to any sub-systems are brought to the DHHS/DDSN Policy Committee.

2. Describe the process to periodically evaluate, as appropriate, the Quality Improvement Strategy.

Character Count: out of 12000

DHHS and DDSN meet periodically to discuss the effectiveness of Quality Improvement initiatives implemented by both state agencies. Changes are brought to the DHHS/DDSN Policy Committee for review.

Appendix I: Financial Accountability

I-1: Financial Integrity and Accountability

Financial Integrity. Describe the methods that are employed to ensure the integrity of payments that have been made for waiver services, including: (a) requirements concerning the independent audit of provider agencies; (b) the financial audit program that the state conducts to ensure the integrity of provider billings for Medicaid payment of waiver services, including the methods, scope and frequency of audits; and, (c) the agency (or agencies) responsible for conducting the financial audit program. State laws, regulations, and policies referenced in the description are available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

Character Count: out of 12000

The State employs several methods to ensure the integrity of payments made for waiver services in different departments within the agency. Following are descriptions of the methods employed: The State has a memorandum of agreement with the operating agency, DDSN, to assure provider qualifications for the provision of most waiver services. For all other waiver services the State Medicaid Agency directly assures that those providers meet the qualifications. DDSN maintains a quality review process utilizing

their quality assurance contractor to ensure provider qualifications are valid and appropriate. The review consists of three components: staffing review, administrative review and participant review. The staffing review samples staff member at different levels to ensure they meet all initial training and certification requirements, tuberculin skin test requirements, ongoing training requirements and all other requirements. The administrative review determines that all agency administrative requirements (liability insurance, list of officers, written by-laws, emergency back-up plans, etc.) have been met. The participant review verifies that all requirements relating to the actual conduct of service have been met. The Division of Program Integrity at DHHS responds to complaints and allegations of inappropriate or excessive billings by Medicaid providers, and also collects and analyzes provider data in order to identify billing exceptions and deviations. In this capacity, Program Integrity any audit payments to service providers. Issues that involve fraudulent billing by providers are turned over to the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit in the South Carolina Attorney General's Office. In addition, The Division of Audits reviews DHHS contracts with external entities in order to ensure that contract terms are met and only allowable costs are charged. Additionally, The Internal Audit Division within SCDDSN has included in it audit plan planned audits of State Agency Medicaid contracts.

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Quality Improvement: Financial Accountability

As a distinct component of the State's quality improvement strategy, provide information in the following fields to detail the State's methods for discovery and remediation.

1. **Methods for Discovery: Financial Accountability**

State financial oversight exists to assure that claims are coded and paid for in accordance with the reimbursement methodology specified in the approved waiver.

1. **Performance Measures**

For each performance measure/indicator the State will use to assess compliance with the statutory assurance complete the following. Where possible, include numerator/denominator. Each performance measure must be specific to this waiver (i.e., data presented must be waiver specific).

For each performance measure, provide information on the aggregated data that will enable the State to analyze and assess progress toward the performance measure. In this section provide information on the method by which each source of data is analyzed statistically/deductively or inductively, how themes are identified or conclusions drawn, and how recommendations are formulated, where appropriate.

Performance Measure:

Proportion of paid claims that are coded and paid in accordance with policies in the approved waiver.

Data Source (Select one):

Other

If 'Other' is selected, specify:

DDSN web-based
adjustments

| Responsible Party for data collection/g eneration(c heck each that applies): | Frequency of data collection/ge neration(chec k each that applies): | Sampling Approach k each that applies): |
|---|--|--|
| State Medicaid Agency | Weekly | 100% Review |
| Operating Agency | Monthly | Less than 100% Review |
| Sub-State Entity | Quarterly | Representative Sample Confidence Interval = |
| Other Specify: | Annually | Stratified Describe Group: |
| | Continuously and Ongoing | Other Specify: |
| | Other Specify: | |

Data Source (Select one):

Other

If 'Other' is selected, specify:

DDSN QIO Adjustment Logs

| Responsible Party for data collection/generation (check each that applies): | Frequency of data collection/generation (check each that applies): | Sampling Approach check each that applies): |
|--|---|---|
| State Medicaid Agency | Weekly | 100% Review |
| Operating Agency | Monthly | Less than 100% Review |
| Sub-State Entity | Quarterly | Representative Sample Confidence Interval = +/-15% |
| Other Specify: | Annually | Stratified Describe Group: |
| | Continuously and Ongoing | Other Specify: |
| | Other Specify: | |

Data Source (Select one):

Other

If 'Other' is selected, specify:

DHHS Focus Reviews

| Responsible Party for data collection/generation (check each that applies): | Frequency of data collection/generation (check each that applies): | Sampling Approach k each that applies): |
|--|---|--|
| State Medicaid Agency | Weekly | 100% Review |
| Operating Agency | Monthly | Less than 100% Review |
| Sub-State Entity | Quarterly | Representative Sample Confidence Interval = |
| Other Specify: | Annually | Stratified Describe Group: |
| | Continuously and Ongoing | Other Specify: Sampling determined by evidence warranting a special review. |
| | Other Specify: As warranted | |

Data Aggregation and Analysis:

| Responsible Party for data aggregation and analysis (check each that applies): | Frequency of data aggregation and analysis (check each that applies): |
|---|--|
| State Medicaid Agency | Weekly |
| Operating Agency | Monthly |
| Sub-State Entity | Quarterly |
| Other Specify: | Annually |
| | Continuously and Ongoing |
| | Other Specify: |

2. If applicable, in the textbox below provide any necessary additional information on the strategies employed by the State to discover/identify problems/issues within the waiver program, including frequency and parties responsible.

Character Count: out of 6000

DDSN's Internal Audit Division conducts periodic reviews of the billing systems and contracted providers to insure billings are appropriate. These audits are conducted using a selected sample. Findings are shared with DHHS in a timely manner.

2. **Methods for Remediation/Fixing Individual Problems**

1. Describe the State's method for addressing individual problems as they are discovered. Include information regarding responsible parties and GENERAL methods for problem correction. In addition, provide information on the methods used by the State to document these items.

Character Count: out of 6000

DHHS financial policy requires DDSN to void/replace incorrect claims using the web-based system. DDSN reviews and amends its' financial policies and procedures upon review and approval by DHHS.

2. Remediation Data Aggregation

Remediation-related Data Aggregation and Analysis (including trend identification)

| Responsible Party (check each that applies): | Frequency of data aggregation and analysis (check each that applies): |
|---|--|
| State Medicaid Agency | Weekly |
| Operating Agency | Monthly |
| Sub-State Entity | Quarterly |
| Other Specify: | Annually |
| | Continuously and Ongoing |
| | Other Specify: As warranted |

3. **Timelines**

When the State does not have all elements of the Quality Improvement Strategy in place, provide timelines to design methods for discovery and remediation related to the assurance of Financial Accountability that are currently non-operational.

No

Yes

not selected

Please provide a detailed strategy for assuring Financial Accountability, the specific timeline for implementing identified strategies, and the parties responsible for its operation.

Character Count: out of 6000

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I-2: Rates, Billing and Claims (1 of 3)

1. **Rate Determination Methods.** In two pages or less, describe the methods that are employed to establish provider payment rates for waiver services and the entity or entities that are responsible for rate determination. Indicate any opportunity for public comment in the process. If different methods are employed for various types of services, the description may group services for which the same method is employed. State laws, regulations, and policies referenced in the description are available upon request to CMS through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

Character Count: out of 12000

DHHS, the Bureau of Reimbursement Methodology and Policy, with assistance from DDSN, is responsible for the development of Waiver service payment rates. The SCDHHS agency allows the public to offer comments on waiver rate changes and rate setting methodology either through Medical Care Advisory Committee meetings, public hearings, or through meetings with association representatives. Waiver service rates were established based upon the projected costs of the service to be provided. Projected costs used in the determination of the Waiver rates would include salaries, fringe benefits, travel, training, and applicable overhead costs (which is less than 10%). Billable hours were determined in order to adjust for time spent on leave, training, travel, and administration. Both DDSN and DHHS, the Bureau of Reimbursement Methodology perform financial reviews to ensure that funding provided by the South Carolina General Assembly was appropriately expended by providers of these services. NOTE: Incontinence supplies are reimbursed to the lowest responsible and responsive vendor selected through the State's Invitation for Bid (IFB) process. All incontinence products allowed in South Carolina's home and community-based waivers are included.

2. **Flow of Billings.** Describe the flow of billings for waiver services, specifying whether provider billings flow directly from providers to the State's claims payment system or whether billings are routed through other intermediary entities. If billings flow through other intermediary entities, specify the entities:

Character Count: out of 6000

Providers maintain the option of billing directly to SCDHHS or they may voluntarily reassign their right to direct payments to the SCDDSN. Providers billing SCDHHS directly may bill either by use of a CMS 1500 form or by the DHHS's electronic billing system.

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I-2: Rates, Billing and Claims (2 of 3)

3. **Certifying Public Expenditures** (*select one*):

No. State or local government agencies do not certify expenditures for waiver services.

Yes. State or local government agencies directly expend funds for part or all of the cost of waiver services and certify their State government expenditures (CPE) in lieu of billing that amount to Medicaid.

Select at least one:

Certified Public Expenditures (CPE) of State Public Agencies.

Specify: (a) the State government agency or agencies that certify public expenditures for waiver services; (b) how it is assured that the CPE is based on the total computable costs for waiver services; and, (c) how the State verifies that the certified public expenditures are eligible for Federal financial participation in accordance with 42 CFR §433.51(b). (Indicate source of revenue for CPEs in Item I-4-a.)

Character Count: out of 6000

(a) – The South Carolina Department of Disabilities and Special Needs (SCDDSN). (b) – SCDDSN files annual cost reports that report the total costs incurred for both their institutional services (i.e. ICF/MRs) and all Waiver services

providers. (c) – The SCDDSN received \$6.7 million in state appropriations for these services in SFY 2009/2010. The contract between SCDHHS and SCDDSN applicable to these services will require the following contract language: “SCDDSN agrees to incur expenditures from state appropriated funds and/or funds derived from tax revenue in an amount at least equal to the non-federal share of the allowable, reasonable, and necessary cost for the provision of services to be provided to Medicaid recipients under the contract prior to submitting claims under the contract.” Additionally, the Internal Audit Division within the SCDHHS has included in its’ audit plan planned audits of State Agency Medicaid contracts.

Certified Public Expenditures (CPE) of Local Government Agencies.

Specify: (a) the local government agencies that incur certified public expenditures for waiver services; (b) how it is assured that the CPE is based on total computable costs for waiver services; and, (c) how the State verifies that the certified public expenditures are eligible for Federal financial participation in accordance with 42 CFR §433.51(b). (Indicate source of revenue for CPEs in Item I-4-b.)

Character Count: out of 6000

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I-2: Rates, Billing and Claims (3 of 3)

4. **Billing Validation Process.** Describe the process for validating provider billings to produce the claim for federal financial participation, including the mechanism(s) to assure that all claims for payment are made only: (a) when the individual was eligible for Medicaid waiver payment on the date of service; (b) when the service was included in the participant's approved service plan; and, (c) the services were provided:

Character Count: out of 6000

Claims for Waiver services are submitted to MMIS through either the use of a CMS 1500 form or through the State’s electronic billing system. Providers of Waiver services are given a service authorization, which reflects the service identified on the Support Plan. This authorization is produced by the Service Coordinator and contains the frequency, date and type of service authorized along with a unique authorization number. Once the claim is submitted to MMIS, payment is made to the provider only if the participant was Medicaid eligible on the date of service and there is an indication in MMIS that the participant is enrolled in the Waiver program. This is the case for all claims. The SCDHHS Division of Program Integrity conducts post-payment reviews. These reviews sample claims and determine if services have been billed as authorized. The SCDDSN internal audit division periodically conducts audits of DDSN’s billing system to ensure billing is appropriate for the service provided.

5. **Billing and Claims Record Maintenance Requirement.** Records documenting the audit trail of adjudicated claims (including supporting documentation) are maintained by the Medicaid agency, the operating agency (if applicable), and providers of waiver services for a minimum period of 3 years as required in 45 CFR §92.42.

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I-3: Payment (1 of 7)

1. **Method of payments -- MMIS** (*select one*):

Payments for all waiver services are made through an approved Medicaid Management Information System (MMIS). Payments for some, but not all, waiver services are made through an approved MMIS.

Specify: (a) the waiver services that are not paid through an approved MMIS; (b) the process for making such payments and the entity that processes payments; (c) and how an audit trail is maintained for all state and federal funds expended outside the MMIS; and, (d) the basis for the draw of federal funds and claiming of these expenditures on the CMS-64:

Character Count: out of 6000

Payments for waiver services are not made through an approved MMIS.

Specify: (a) the process by which payments are made and the entity that processes payments; (b) how and through which system(s) the payments are processed; (c) how an audit trail is maintained for all state and federal funds expended outside the MMIS; and, (d) the basis for the draw of federal funds and claiming of these expenditures on the CMS-64:

Character Count: out of 6000

Payments for waiver services are made by a managed care entity or entities. The managed care entity is paid a monthly capitated payment per eligible enrollee through an approved MMIS.

Describe how payments are made to the managed care entity or entities:

Character Count: out of 6000

not selected

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I-3: Payment (2 of 7)

2. **Direct payment.** In addition to providing that the Medicaid agency makes payments directly to providers of waiver services, payments for waiver services are made utilizing one or more of the following arrangements (*select at least one*):

The Medicaid agency makes payments directly and does not use a fiscal agent (comprehensive or limited) or a managed care entity or entities.

The Medicaid agency pays providers through the same fiscal agent used for the rest of the Medicaid program.

The Medicaid agency pays providers of some or all waiver services through the use of a limited fiscal agent.

Specify the limited fiscal agent, the waiver services for which the limited fiscal agent makes payment, the functions that the limited fiscal agent performs in paying waiver claims, and the methods by which the Medicaid agency oversees the operations of the limited fiscal agent:

Character Count: out of 6000

A financial management services (FMS) entity is used to make payments for in-home services delivered by individuals rather than agencies. These individuals document service delivery and provide data to the financial management service. This information is transferred to DDSN, which in turn bills MMIS for services rendered. The FMS cuts checks biweekly and transfers funds to workers by direct deposit. Financial audits are performed periodically.

Providers are paid by a managed care entity or entities for services that are included in the State's contract with the entity.

Specify how providers are paid for the services (if any) not included in the State's contract with managed care entities.

Character Count: out of 6000

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I-3: Payment (3 of 7)

3. **Supplemental or Enhanced Payments.** Section 1902(a)(30) requires that payments for services be consistent with efficiency, economy, and quality of care. Section 1903(a)(1) provides for Federal financial participation to States for expenditures for services under an approved State plan/waiver. Specify whether supplemental or enhanced payments are made. *Select one:*

No. The State does not make supplemental or enhanced payments for waiver services.

Yes. The State makes supplemental or enhanced payments for waiver services.

Describe: (a) the nature of the supplemental or enhanced payments that are made and the waiver services for which these payments are made; (b) the types of providers to which such payments are made; (c) the source of the non-Federal share of the supplemental or enhanced payment; and, (d) whether providers eligible to receive the supplemental or enhanced payment retain 100% of the total computable expenditure claimed by the State to CMS. Upon request, the State will furnish CMS with detailed information about the total amount of supplemental or enhanced payments to each provider type in the waiver.

Character Count: out of 6000

SCDDSN will be reimbursed retrospectively for its total allowable Medicaid costs incurred of providing services under this waiver. Therefore, the supplemental payment will equate to a cost settlement that will be determined upon the completion of the SCDHHS review of the annual cost report submitted by the SCDDSN. The waiver services that SCDDSN will provide as part of its OHCDs are residential habilitation, environmental modifications, private vehicle modifications, respite, adult companion, adult attendant care, specialized medical equipment, supplies and assistive technology, and career preparation, day activity, community services, support center, and employment services.

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I-3: Payment (4 of 7)

4. **Payments to State or Local Government Providers.** *Specify whether State or local government providers receive payment for the provision of waiver services.*

No. State or local government providers do not receive payment for waiver services. Do not complete Item I-3-e.
Yes. State or local government providers receive payment for waiver services. Complete Item I-3-e.

Specify the types of State or local government providers that receive payment for waiver services and the services that the State or local government providers furnish: Complete item I-3-e.

Character Count: out of 4000

SCDDSN will receive payment for waiver services and will provide the following waiver services: UAP Attendant Care services to include any DSN Board billed Waiver services and Service Coordination.
not selected

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I-3: Payment (5 of 7)

5. **Amount of Payment to State or Local Government Providers.**

Specify whether any State or local government provider receives payments (including regular and any supplemental payments) that in the aggregate exceed its reasonable costs of providing waiver services and, if so, whether and how the State recoups the excess and returns the Federal share of the excess to CMS on the quarterly expenditure report. *Select one:*

The amount paid to State or local government providers is the same as the amount paid to private providers of the same service.

The amount paid to State or local government providers differs from the amount paid to private providers of the same service. No public provider receives payments that in the aggregate exceed its reasonable costs of providing waiver

services.

The amount paid to State or local government providers differs from the amount paid to private providers of the same service. When a State or local government provider receives payments (including regular and any supplemental payments) that in the aggregate exceed the cost of waiver services, the State recoups the excess and returns the federal share of the excess to CMS on the quarterly expenditure report.

Describe the recoupment process:

Character Count: out of 6000

SCDDSN will submit annual cost reports that reflect the total costs incurred by SCDDSN and/or its local Boards of the services provided under this Waiver. The SCDHHS will desk review the cost report and determine the average unit cost of the services provided under this Waiver based upon costs and units of the total population served (ie., both Medicaid and non-Medicaid recipients). The actual cost rate will then be compared against the interim rate paid to determine an overpayment or underpayment. If an overpayment occurs, the SCDHHS will recoup the federal portion of the overpayment from the SCDDSN and return it to CMS via the quarterly expenditure report.

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I-3: Payment (6 of 7)

6. **Provider Retention of Payments.** Section 1903(a)(1) provides that Federal matching funds are only available for expenditures made by states for services under the approved waiver. *Select one:*

Providers receive and retain 100 percent of the amount claimed to CMS for waiver services.

Providers do not receive and retain 100 percent of the amount claimed to CMS for waiver services.

Provide a full description of the billing, claims, or payment processes that result in less than 100% reimbursement of providers. Include: (a) the methodology for reduced or returned payments; (b) a complete listing of types of providers, the amount or percentage of payments that are reduced or returned; and, (c) the disposition and use of the funds retained or returned to the State (i.e., general fund, medical services account, etc.):

Character Count: out of 12000

Providers are paid by a managed care entity (or entities) that is paid a monthly capitated payment.

Specify whether the monthly capitated payment to managed care entities is reduced or returned in part to the State.

Character Count: out of 12000

not selected

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I-3: Payment (7 of 7)

7. **Additional Payment Arrangements**

1. **Voluntary Reassignment of Payments to a Governmental Agency.** *Select one:*

No. The State does not provide that providers may voluntarily reassign their right to direct payments to a governmental agency.

Yes. Providers may voluntarily reassign their right to direct payments to a governmental agency as provided in

42 CFR §447.10(e).

Specify the governmental agency (or agencies) to which reassignment may be made.

Character Count: out of 4000

DDSN

2. Organized Health Care Delivery System. *Select one:*

No. The State does not employ Organized Health Care Delivery System (OHCDS) arrangements under the provisions of 42 CFR §447.10.

Yes. The waiver provides for the use of Organized Health Care Delivery System arrangements under the provisions of 42 CFR §447.10.

Specify the following: (a) the entities that are designated as an OHCDS and how these entities qualify for designation as an OHCDS; (b) the procedures for direct provider enrollment when a provider does not voluntarily agree to contract with a designated OHCDS; (c) the method(s) for assuring that participants have free choice of qualified providers when an OHCDS arrangement is employed, including the selection of providers not affiliated with the OHCDS; (d) the method(s) for assuring that providers that furnish services under contract with an OHCDS meet applicable provider qualifications under the waiver; (e) how it is assured that OHCDS contracts with providers meet applicable requirements; and, (f) how financial accountability is assured when an OHCDS arrangement is used:

Character Count: out of 18000

(a) DDSN operates as an organized health care delivery system (OHCDS). This system of care is comprised of DDSN and the local DSN County Boards and together they form an OHCDS. The OHCDS establishes contracts with other qualified providers to furnish home and community based services to people served in this waiver. (b) Providers of Waiver services may direct bill their services to DHHS. (c) At a minimum, Waiver participants are given a choice of providers, regardless of their affiliate with the OHCDS, annually or more frequent if requested or warranted (d) DDSN will assure that providers that furnish Waiver services under contract with the OHCDS meet applicable provider qualifications through the state's procurement process. (e) DDSN assures that contracts with providers meet applicable requirements via an annual quality assurance review of the provider, as well as periodic record reviews. (f) DDSN requires its local DSN County Boards to perform annual financial audits.

3. Contracts with MCOs, PIHPs or PAHPs. *Select one:*

The State does not contract with MCOs, PIHPs or PAHPs for the provision of waiver services.

The State contracts with a Managed Care Organization(s) (MCOs) and/or prepaid inpatient health plan(s) (PIHP) or prepaid ambulatory health plan(s) (PAHP) under the provisions of §1915(a)(1) of the Act for the delivery of waiver and other services. Participants may voluntarily elect to receive waiver and other services through such MCOs or prepaid health plans. Contracts with these health plans are on file at the State Medicaid agency.

Describe: (a) the MCOs and/or health plans that furnish services under the provisions of §1915(a)(1); (b) the geographic areas served by these plans; (c) the waiver and other services furnished by these plans; and, (d) how payments are made to the health plans.

Character Count: out of 18000

This waiver is a part of a concurrent §1915(b)/§1915(c) waiver. Participants are required to obtain waiver and other services through a MCO and/or prepaid inpatient health plan (PIHP) or a prepaid ambulatory health plan (PAHP). The §1915(b) waiver specifies the types of health plans that are used and how payments to these plans are made.

not selected

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I-4: Non-Federal Matching Funds (1 of 3)

1. **State Level Source(s) of the Non-Federal Share of Computable Waiver Costs.** Specify the State source or sources of the non-federal share of computable waiver costs. *Select at least one:*

Appropriation of State Tax Revenues to the State Medicaid agency

Appropriation of State Tax Revenues to a State Agency other than the Medicaid Agency.

If the source of the non-federal share is appropriations to another state agency (or agencies), specify: (a) the State entity or agency receiving appropriated funds and (b) the mechanism that is used to transfer the funds to the Medicaid Agency or Fiscal Agent, such as an Intergovernmental Transfer (IGT), including any matching arrangement, and/or, indicate if the funds are directly expended by State agencies as CPEs, as indicated in Item I-2-c:

Character Count: out of 6000

SCDDSN received state appropriations to provide services under this Waiver. A portion of these funds will be transferred to SCDHHS via an Interdepartmental Transfer (IDT) for payments that will be made directly to private providers enrolled with the SCDHHS. For services provided by SCDDSN, these funds will be directly expended by SCDDSN as CPE.

Other State Level Source(s) of Funds.

Specify: (a) the source and nature of funds; (b) the entity or agency that receives the funds; and, (c) the mechanism that is used to transfer the funds to the Medicaid Agency or Fiscal Agent, such as an Intergovernmental Transfer (IGT), including any matching arrangement, and/or, indicate if funds are directly expended by State agencies as CPEs, as indicated in Item I-2- c:

Character Count: out of 6000

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I-4: Non-Federal Matching Funds (2 of 3)

2. **Local Government or Other Source(s) of the Non-Federal Share of Computable Waiver Costs.** Specify the source or sources of the non-federal share of computable waiver costs that are not from state sources. *Select One:*

Not Applicable. There are no local government level sources of funds utilized as the non-federal share.

Applicable

Check each that applies:

Not Applicable. There are no non-State level sources of funds for the non-federal share.

Appropriation of Local Government Revenues.

Specify: (a) the local government entity or entities that have the authority to levy taxes or other revenues; (b) the source(s) of revenue; and, (c) the mechanism that is used to transfer the funds to the Medicaid Agency or Fiscal Agent, such as an Intergovernmental Transfer (IGT), including any matching arrangement (indicate any intervening entities in the transfer process), and/or, indicate if funds are directly expended by local government agencies as CPEs, as specified in Item I-2-c:

Character Count: out of 6000

Other Local Government Level Source(s) of Funds.

Specify: (a) the source of funds; (b) the local government entity or agency receiving funds; and, (c) the mechanism that is used to transfer the funds to the State Medicaid Agency or Fiscal Agent, such as an Intergovernmental Transfer (IGT), including any matching arrangement, and /or, indicate if funds are directly expended by local government agencies as CPEs, as specified in Item I-2- c:

Character Count: out of 6000
not selected

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I-4: Non-Federal Matching Funds (3 of 3)

3. **Information Concerning Certain Sources of Funds.** Indicate whether any of the funds listed in Items I-4-a or I-4-b that make up the non-federal share of computable waiver costs come from the following sources: (a) health care-related taxes or fees; (b) provider-related donations; and/or, (c) federal funds. *Select one:*

None of the specified sources of funds contribute to the non-federal share of computable waiver costs

The following source(s) are used

Check each that applies:

None of the foregoing sources of funds contribute to the non-federal share of computable waiver costs.

Health care-related taxes or fees

Provider-related donations

Federal funds

For each source of funds indicated above, describe the source of the funds in detail:

Character Count: out of 6000
not selected

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I-5: Exclusion of Medicaid Payment for Room and Board

1. **Services Furnished in Residential Settings.** *Select one:*

No services under this waiver are furnished in residential settings other than the private residence of the individual.

As specified in Appendix C, the State furnishes waiver services in residential settings other than the personal home of the individual.

not selected

2. Method for Excluding the Cost of Room and Board Furnished in Residential Settings. The following describes the methodology that the State uses to exclude Medicaid payment for room and board in residential settings:

3. Character Count: out of 12000

Head and Spinal Cord Injury waiver has only one service, residential habilitation, in which room and board could be included in the service. Continual monitoring and training is provided to assure that room and board costs are excluded.

Through the annual audits, financial testing of residential cost is performed by independent CPA firms to assure that room and board costs are excluded from Medicaid payment.

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I-6: Payment for Rent and Food Expenses of an Unrelated Live-In Caregiver

Reimbursement for the Rent and Food Expenses of an Unrelated Live-In Personal Caregiver. *Select one:*

No. The State does not reimburse for the rent and food expenses of an unrelated live-in personal caregiver who resides in the same

household as the participant.

Yes. Per 42 CFR §441.310(a)(2)(ii), the State will claim FFP for the additional costs of rent and food that can be reasonably attributed to an unrelated live-in personal caregiver who resides in the same household as the waiver participant. The State describes its coverage of live-in caregiver in Appendix C-3 and the costs attributable to rent and food for the live-in caregiver are reflected separately in the computation of factor D (cost of waiver services) in Appendix J. FFP for rent and food for a live-in caregiver will not be claimed when the participant lives in the caregiver's home or in a residence that is owned or leased by the provider of Medicaid services.

The following is an explanation of: (a) the method used to apportion the additional costs of rent and food attributable to the unrelated live-in personal caregiver that are incurred by the individual served on the waiver and (b) the method used to reimburse these costs:

Character Count: out of 6000

Appendix I: Financial Accountability

I-7: Participant Co-Payments for Waiver Services and Other Cost Sharing (1 of 5)

1. **Co-Payment Requirements.** Specify whether the State imposes a co-payment or similar charge upon waiver participants for waiver services. These charges are calculated per service and have the effect of reducing the total computable claim for federal financial participation. *Select one:*

No. The State does not impose a co-payment or similar charge upon participants for waiver services.

Yes. The State imposes a co-payment or similar charge upon participants for one or more waiver services.

1. **Co-Pay Arrangement.**

Specify the types of co-pay arrangements that are imposed on waiver participants (*check each that applies*):

Charges Associated with the Provision of Waiver Services (*if any are checked, complete Items I-7-a-ii through I-7-a-iv*):

Nominal deductible
Coinsurance
Co-Payment
Other charge

Specify:

Character Count: out of 6000
not selected

Appendix I: Financial Accountability

I-7: Participant Co-Payments for Waiver Services and Other Cost Sharing (2 of 5)

1. **Co-Payment Requirements.**
2. **Participants Subject to Co-pay Charges for Waiver Services.**

Answers provided in Appendix I-7-a indicate that you do not need to complete this section.

Appendix I: Financial Accountability

I-7: Participant Co-Payments for Waiver Services and Other Cost Sharing (3 of 5)

- 1. Co-Payment Requirements.
- 3. Amount of Co-Pay Charges for Waiver Services.

Answers provided in Appendix I-7-a indicate that you do not need to complete this section.

Appendix I: Financial Accountability

I-7: Participant Co-Payments for Waiver Services and Other Cost Sharing (4 of 5)

- 1. Co-Payment Requirements.
- 4. Cumulative Maximum Charges.

Answers provided in Appendix I-7-a indicate that you do not need to complete this section.

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I-7: Participant Co-Payments for Waiver Services and Other Cost Sharing (5 of 5)

- 2. Other State Requirement for Cost Sharing. Specify whether the State imposes a premium, enrollment fee or similar cost sharing on waiver participants. *Select one:*

No. The State does not impose a premium, enrollment fee, or similar cost-sharing arrangement on waiver participants.

Yes. The State imposes a premium, enrollment fee or similar cost-sharing arrangement.

Describe in detail the cost sharing arrangement, including: (a) the type of cost sharing (e.g., premium, enrollment fee); (b) the amount of charge and how the amount of the charge is related to total gross family income; (c) the groups of participants subject to cost-sharing and the groups who are excluded; and, (d) the mechanisms for the collection of cost-sharing and reporting the amount collected on the CMS 64:

Character Count: out of 12000

Appendix J: Cost Neutrality Demonstration

J-1: Composite Overview and Demonstration of Cost-Neutrality Formula

Composite Overview. Complete the fields in Cols. 3, 5 and 6 in the following table for each waiver year. The fields in Cols. 4, 7 and 8 are auto-calculated based on entries in Cols 3, 5, and 6. The fields in Col. 2 are auto-calculated using the Factor D data from

the J-2d Estimate of Factor D tables. Col. 2 fields will be populated ONLY when the Estimate of Factor D tables in J-2d have been completed.

Level(s) of Care: Nursing Facility, ICF/MR

| Col. 1 | Col. 2 | Col. 3 | Col. 4 | Col. 5 | Col. 6 | Col. 7 | Col. 8 |
|--------|----------|-----------|-------------|----------|-----------|-------------|---------------------------------|
| Year | Factor D | Factor D' | Total: D+D' | Factor G | Factor G' | Total: G+G' | Difference (Col 7 less Column4) |
| 1 | 27724.64 | | 37659.64 | | | 51346.00 | 13686.36 |
| 2 | 27166.48 | | 37399.48 | | | 52887.00 | 15487.52 |
| 3 | 28063.18 | | 38603.18 | | | 54473.00 | 15869.82 |
| 4 | 28800.26 | | 39656.26 | | | 56107.00 | 16450.74 |
| 5 | 29120.33 | | 40302.33 | | | 57791.00 | 17488.67 |

Appendix J: Cost Neutrality Demonstration

J-2: Derivation of Estimates (1 of 9)

1. **Number Of Unduplicated Participants Served.** Enter the total number of unduplicated participants from Item B-3-a who will be served each year that the waiver is in operation. When the waiver serves individuals under more than one level of care, specify the number of unduplicated participants for each level of care:

Table: J-2-a: Unduplicated Participants

| Waiver Year | Total Number Unduplicated Number of Participants (from Item B-3-a) | Distribution of Unduplicated Participants by Level of Care (if applicable) | | |
|-------------|--|--|----------------|--|
| | | Level of Care: | Level of Care: | |
| | | Nursing Facility | ICF/MR | |
| | | Year 1 | 788 | |
| Year 2 | 842 | | | |
| Year 3 | 892 | | | |
| Year 4 | 945 | | | |
| Year 5 | 998 | | | |

Appendix J: Cost Neutrality Demonstration

J-2: Derivation of Estimates (2 of 9)

2. **Average Length of Stay.** Describe the basis of the estimate of the average length of stay on the waiver by participants in item J-2-a.

Character Count: out of 6000

Year 1 - 11.09 months; 333 days Year 2 - 11.12 months; 334 days Year 3 - 11.15 months; 335 days Year 4 - 11.18 months; 336 days Year 5 - 11.21 months; 337 days This derivation is based on current 372 data with an inflation factor of 5% built in to account for increases in enrollments over the last two years of the preceeding waiver.

Appendix J: Cost Neutrality Demonstration

J-2: Derivation of Estimates (3 of 9)

3. **Derivation of Estimates for Each Factor.** Provide a narrative description for the derivation of the estimates of the following factors.

1. **Factor D Derivation.** The estimates of Factor D for each waiver year are located in Item J-2-d. The basis for these estimates is as follows:

Character Count: out of 12000

The estimates are based on projected utilization of services. The projected utilizations are based on current industry practices for each service level included in the waiver. The costs per services were determined by surveying current provider of services.

2. **Factor D' Derivation.** The estimates of Factor D' for each waiver year are included in Item J-1. The basis of these estimates is as follows:

Character Count: out of 12000

The derivation of the figures originate with the CMS 372 Report for Waiver #0284.01.R1 for the year ending 6/30/2007 with an inflation factor of 5% for year one and 3% for year two through year five.

3. **Factor G Derivation.** The estimates of Factor G for each waiver year are included in Item J-1. The basis of these estimates is as follows:

Character Count: out of 12000

2007 ICF/MR cost Reports and the 2008 Preliminary Cost Reports. The 2007 Cost Report is on file at the Department of Health and Human Services.

4. **Factor G' Derivation.** The estimates of Factor G' for each waiver year are included in Item J-1. The basis of these estimates is as follows:

Character Count: out of 12000

The derivation of the figures originate with the CMS 372 Report for Waiver #0284.01.R1 for the year ending 6/30/2007 with an inflation factor of 5% for year one and 3% for year two through year five.

Appendix J: Cost Neutrality Demonstration

J-2: Derivation of Estimates (4 of 9)

Component management for waiver services. If the service(s) below includes two or more discrete services that are reimbursed separately, or is a bundled service, each component of the service must be listed. Select “*manage components*” to add these

components.

| | |
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| Waiver Services | |
| Attendant Care/Personal Assistance Services | |
| Day Habilitation | |
| Prevocational Services | |
| Residential Habilitation | |
| Respite Care Services | |
| Supported Employment Services | |
| Occupational Therapy | |
| Physical Therapy | |
| Prescribed Drugs, except drugs furnished to participants under Medicare Part D benefits. | |
| Speech, hearing and language services | |
| Behavioral Support Services | |
| Environmental Modifications | |
| Health Education for Consumer-Directed Care | |
| Medicaid Waiver Nursing | |
| Medical Supplies, Equipment and Assistive Technology | |
| Peer Guidance for Consumer-Directed Care | |
| Personal Emergency Response Systems | |
| Private Vehicle Modifications | |
| Psychological Services | |